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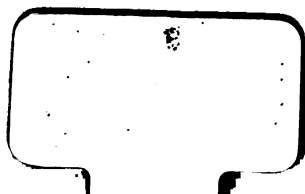
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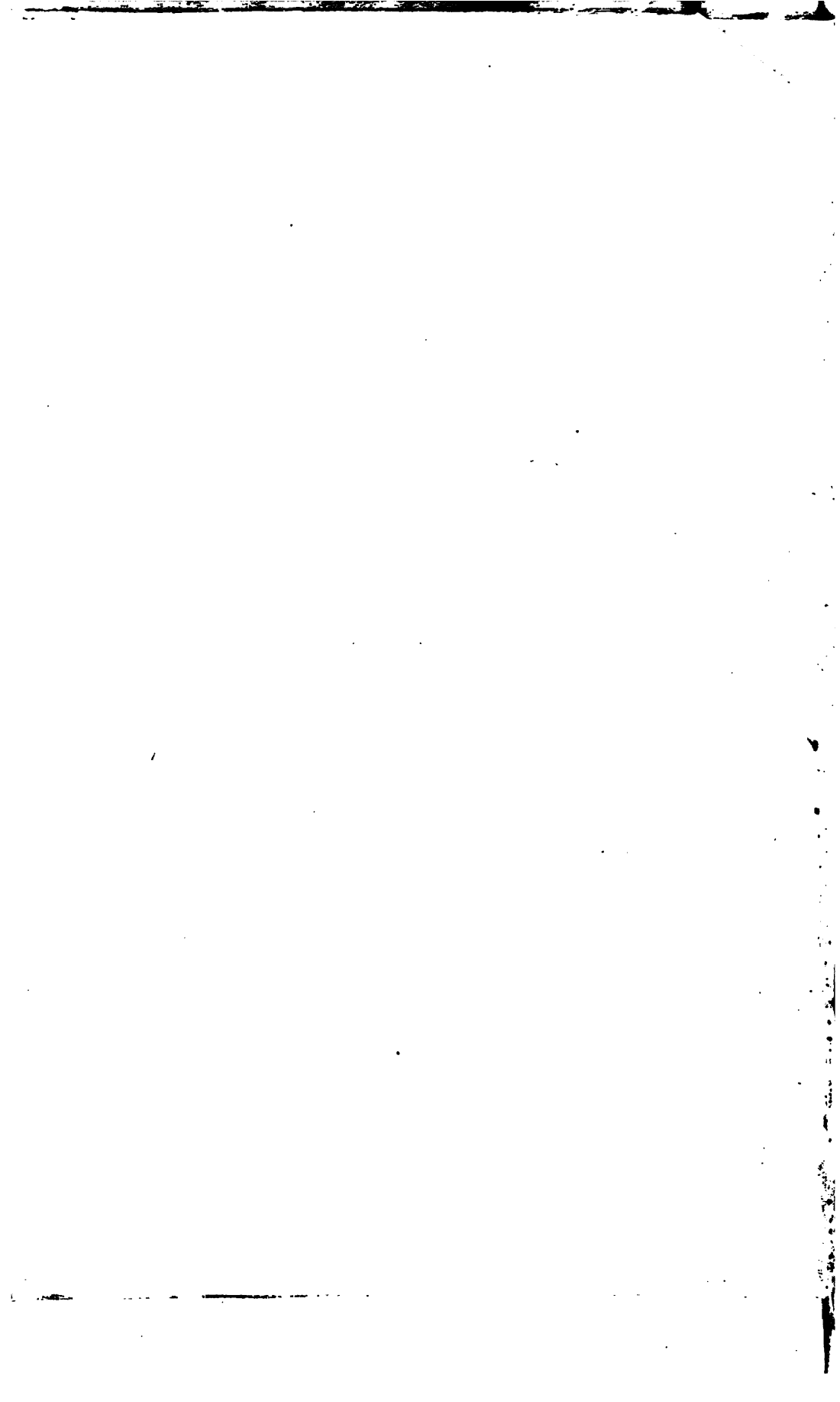
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NICOBAR AND ANDAMAN ISLES,

WITH

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NICOBAR AND ANDAMAN ISLES.

My reasons for writing this *Vocabulary* have been as follow:— (1st,) to enable officers deputed on duty to the Nicobars to keep up communication with this truly remarkable people, and (2nd,) especially I wish to secure to the scientific world the languages of these people, who are fast dying out. Several small collections have been at different times made, from which I have extracted only a few words that were unknown to me, and which have been noted in every case. The first collection of words of the Nancowry dialect was made by Surgeon Fontana, who was there from April to September 1778 in an Austrian vessel, the *Joseph and Theresa*. The next was made by the Revd. D. Rosen, a Danish clergyman, who was there from August 1831 till December 1834: he saw a good deal of the natives and was a general favorite with them. It is to be regretted that when his house was burnt at Nancowry most of his papers were destroyed, but in his *Erindringer fra mit Ophold paa de Nikobarske Øer Kjøbenhavn* (Copenhagen, 1839,) he gives sixty-three words in addition to the numerals. In 1846 a few words were collected by Father Barbe, a French priest from the Straits of Malacca, who came on a flying visit in his own little schooner, the *Carolina*. He was accompanied by M. Lacrampe, who had stayed on Teressa Island as a missionary, and was thus able to obtain the best information about the islands. The Commander of the Danish Government Steamer *Ganges* gave them a passage in his ship, (which was at the time at Little Nicobar,) to Teressa and Katchall Islands, where M. Lacrampe landed to take away some property left behind by the French Mission a short time before. Dr. Rink, the present director of the Greenland trade, who was a member of the Galatea Expedition, has written a paper on the geology of the islands, and mentions a few Nicobarese words. He came there in December

1845 and left in May 1846. The Austrian vessel *Novara* was there in 1862. Her stay among the islands lasted only a month, eleven days of which were spent at Nancowry, and a collection of words was made. In 1869, when the Indian Government took possession of the islands, Mr. A. C. Man, a passenger accompanying the expedition, collected some words; his brother, Mr. E. H. Man, Assistant Superintendent of Port Blair and Nicobars, made also a list soon after his arrival in 1871. It would therefore appear from the above that many collections were made, but with the exception of the Revd. D. Rosen, no one had sufficient time to learn the language so as to speak it, and his book contains sixty-three words only.

The last column in this *Vocabulary* contains all the words used by the aborigines of the Andamans which I have been able to collect. No apology is necessary for including these, as a great interest has lately been taken in this tribe, who in their 'kjókkenmóddings' have left distinct marks of their antiquity. They may possibly be related to the people mentioned by Wallace in his *Malay Archipelago* as distinct from the Malay element, and may be autochthons. Isolated as they have been in their island home,—cut off from the supply of metals and all communication with the outer world,—it is possible they may have lost even the record of a higher state of civilisation. I think this can be surmised from certain things found in the lower layers of their 'kjókkenmóddings,' such as pottery and iron. I hope to be able at a future date to write more fully about these interesting records of so ancient a people.

Of my present list fifty-three words appeared before in the *Proceedings of the Asiatic Society of Bengal* for June 1870. Mr. O. H. Brookes, Extra Assistant Superintendent, Port Blair and Nicobars, has kindly given me those marked with his initials. A lady, who has taken a great interest in the education of Andamanese children, has given me valuable aid in forming my collection, for which I would beg to offer my sincere thanks, although not allowed to mention her name.

When now, after the aid received from others, the number of words collected is so very small, it might be inferred by people unacquainted with the peculiar circumstances of this convict settlement, that I had not exerted myself to make a full collection. This is, however, not the case. The Andamanese have never been in my charge; they are not allowed to leave their encampments and homes to visit the settlement, and when I had the chance of seeing and conversing with them, they had been taught Hindustani and preferred to talk it. Greater opportunities of communication will doubtless hereafter be opened, and this *Vocabulary* will, I trust, be of some use to any one commencing the study of the Andamanese dialects. One column contains words of the Shobangs, whom I believe to be the aborigines of the Nicobars, though little is known about them. The Revd. D. Rosen says in his book :—

THE SHOBANGS.

“The Nicobarians do, however, not seem to be the aborigines of these islands. In the interior of Great Nicobar there is said

“to exist a savage people, which probably is of greater antiquity than the other. The Nicobarians consider themselves very much superior to these savages, whom they compare to monkeys. They say that they (*i. e.*, the savages) wear no clothes, have no houses, and live like animals in the dense jungles; fear the sight of other human beings, and never come out of their hiding-places except in search of food, which they sometimes steal from the huts along the coast when they perceive them to be deserted.”

Some members of the Galatea Expedition went up the Galatea River and thought they had come upon a hut belonging to these inland people. From the Danish descriptions and from what the Nancowry people told me, one might infer that they were a tribe of Negritos, like the Andamanese; but lately I was fortunate enough to see one of these Shobængs. He was a big, strong youth, nearly as well built as those of Nancowry. If the Shobæng I saw is a fair specimen of his race, he is of Mongolian origin, the small oblique Mongolian eyes being quite a distinct feature. The head is otherwise formed, the lower part of the face being more prominent and the back of his head not flattened: it is customary with the Nancowry people to flatten the heads of their children. In the faces of the men from Trinkut, Nancowry, Camorta, Katchall and Car Nicobar there is little of the Mongolian. Not so, however, with the people called ‘Tatat’ from Schowra. They do not resemble the youth I saw from Great Nicobar, but their eyes remind me of his. THE TATAT PEOPLE. My theory is, that the people who inhabited these islands before the Nancowry race came were of Mongolian origin; that they were attacked and driven away from the best places, and a remnant of them is now found in the interior of Great Nicobar and on the little isolated island of Schowra. They were driven away from the fertile alluvial soil and from the cocoanut trees on the coral sand. In Nancowry, Camorta, Trinkut and Car Nicobar they could not subsist when driven away from the coast, the sterile grass plains not affording them any means of obtaining food. Great Nicobar is entirely covered with dense jungle; the soil is fertile, and there they still live. In Schowra they make their living as potters. They supply the other islands with well-made cooking-pots, which they convey in their canoes. The men of Schowra are fairer than the Nancowry people, and at Nancowry they say that the girls from Schowra are the prettiest. The people at Schowra have largely adopted the Nancowry language. It would be very interesting to discover whether they have anything in common with their cousins in the interior of the Great Nicobar Island. The Shobængs at Great Nicobar are hostile to the Nancowry people who reside along the coast, and not long ago a coastman was killed by them. This happened in December 1872.

The Shobængs have *yet* to be described and their language preserved. I have only been able to obtain a few words, as it was no easy matter to obtain them from my Shobæng acquaintance.

This man professed to belong to an inland tribe, and I have given the words he told me; yet I should like to see the tribe

in its home. At the Andamans a similar tribe is spoken of, but I think its existence a myth. At the Nicobars the islands are so extensive that an inland people could subsist; but it is not so at the Andamans. I hope, however, to be able to search for these Shobængs before very long.

**THE NANCOWRY
PEOPLE.**

I have now done with the foreigners, as I term them, and turn to the Nancowry people whom I know best, and of whom I have seen a good deal, having spent a year and a quarter among them. This part of the *Vocabulary* was commenced during my first stay there, and in the interval between my first and second residence Mr. E. H. Man, an Assistant on the Port Blair Establishment, made his collection.

Where they live.

The Nancowry people, as I call them, inhabit Trinkut, Nancowry, Camorta, Katchall, Car Nicobar and the coasts of Little and Great Nicobars. They may also inhabit Teressa and Bompoka; but I do not know, as I have not visited these islands. It would, however, appear from the *Vocabulary* of M. Plaisant that they are pure Nancowry people. This race is well worth the trouble of a closer investigation. They display a high degree of civilisation. Though it is about as democratic a state of society as could well be imagined, they are still strictly governed by their old rules and customs. Nowhere is property safer than there. I cannot make

Origin.

out their origin, but I am certain that they are not Burmese, and I do not believe that they are related to the Malays; I have reason to suspect that the so-called aborigines of Formosa are nearer related to them than any of their neighbours. This is, however, a suggestion only (vide *The Mail*, September 7th, 1874, Formosa). I believe them to be an ancient people who have preserved their old civilisation and religious customs intact, while perhaps their religious ideas and theories have gradually died out. Each one can do what he or she likes, but within certain limits. The climate is so mild and the land so rich, that they have everything they require; luxuries only are supplied by foreigners, and doubtless it would be best for them to have no intercourse with any foreigners at all. They inhabit only the low alluvial coast, where there is a reef to shelter their village, and where cocoanuts grow. The

Cocoanuts.

cocoanut tree is their great mine of wealth. The young nut provides a cool, sweet drink, far more wholesome than the water obtainable, which contains decomposed matter. The ripe nut forms an important part of their diet; their dogs, fowls, and pigs live almost entirely on it. Traders visit these islands solely for the cocoanuts. The cocoanut tree also supplies them with palm wine and water vessels. The cocoanut yields oil, which they know how to extract; the dry leaves make beautiful torches, which burn well and are used while fishing. The bread made from the fruit of the *Pandanus Melleri* is much eaten; and fish they can obtain at all seasons. The *Pandanus* grows to perfection in this warm, moist climate and in a half-swampy soil. It requires, however, great labor to extract and cook the edible farinaceous part. The process of extracting the fibre is very tedious work. A species of *Cycas*

***Pandanus
Melleri.***

Cycas.

also yields a farinaceous material, which is eaten; but the *Cycas* is not cultivated, as it grows so slowly, that it is rare. The forest yields capital timber for the posts and planks of their houses, and for boats. The bark of a small tree makes very good twine and fishing-lines, and the jungles abound in rattan, which they use for the tying of planks, making baskets, and the like. Wild hog abounds, and the jungles contain very few obnoxious animals. On none of the islands are found deadly poisonous snakes, except on Teressa. The people describe this snake as black and making a hissing noise. The worst thief on these islands is a big boa, or rather a python (*Schneideri*), which steals fowls and small pigs.

Timber.
Fibre.

Rattan.

Snakes.

Python
Schneideri.

The *Areca* (betel-nut tree) and the *Chavica* (betel-leaf) are very common, and are cultivated. In the creeks in the Nancowry group and in Sambelong (*i. e.*, Great and Little Nicobars) the *Nipa fruticans* grows, which affords a good thatching material for the houses, (in Car Nicobar the lalang grass is used instead). The sea abounds in fish, which the Nancowry people spear at night by torch-light from their light canoes. They use also baskets, which are sunk with little stones and left for a couple of nights under water. Nets and stakes they do not use, but often fishing-lines. The crabs and the crayfish are very large, and oysters are found in some places in the southern islands. Turtles they are fond of eating, and the tortoise is also caught. Sharks and alligators are the worst of their sea and water enemies. Their boats are, however, very safe, and it is thirty years since any one was eaten by an alligator.

Nipa fruticans.

Lalang grass.

Fish.

Mode of catch-
ing fish.

I think I have shown the resources this people possess, and that they have all that a people in their state can want,—food, good and plentiful; excellent materials for building houses and making boats; a hot, moist climate, the heat seldom much above or much under 85° Fahrenheit. Can it be wondered at that they give way to the temptations offered to them to lead a lazy life? I hope, however, to show that the Nancowry people, though they love to be lazy and to stretch themselves in the shade to sleep, are nevertheless very active when they have anything to do. And what they do, they do well.

The villages are built on the low land below the jungle, and are generally situated behind a coral reef, to be sheltered from the sea. In a village there are rarely more than twenty houses, and often only two or three. The houses of the Nancowry people and their way of living remind me of what I have read of the remains of villages found in the Swiss lakes, and perhaps many things could be explained, from a knowledge of the Nancowry people, which now are doubtful.

Their villages.

The houses are raised on poles some six or eight feet from the ground and stand below high-water mark, so that the water washes under them when the tide comes in and clears away whatever refuse may be collected underneath them,—which, however, is not very much, as each thing has its place, even refuse. Underneath the houses are little rough platforms on which *Pandanus* fruit, not prepared, is kept. There lie also the troughs for feeding the dogs and

Their houses
raised on poles
below high-
water mark.

swine, and there sits the woman of the house every evening about 5 o'clock and feeds her live-stock,—pigs, fowls, and savage dogs. There are also the hencoops. The houses do not look very nice outside as they are weather-beaten, the rains being very heavy for six months and the winds very high; but when you enter a hut, you will invariably find it well-made, well-kept, and in beautiful order. A little square hole in the floor gives entrance, and on the landing-place there lies a little brush (one of the scales of the *Pandanus*) to wipe your feet with, so as not to bring sand or mud on the floor: I have never seen dust or sand on a floor in any village. Right in front of the landing-place on the other side of the hut is the fire-place. This is a long rectangular railed-off place, with a platform above it. In this is cooked all that is wanted. The 'larome' or *Pandanus* bread must be well boiled; but otherwise the cookery is very primitive. On both sides of the cooking-place are poles hung some four or five feet from the floor with cocoanut shells polished and cleaned inside, quite black. These are the water cisterns of the people. They are called 'hishoje.' Above the cooking-place are hung the unfinished shells, and also 'larome' ready for eating, neatly tied up in leaves.

Cleanliness.

Cooking-place.

Pigs' jaws.

Domestic affairs
belong to the
wife.Images, not
idols.

Looking back to the entrance again, you find a row or two of some pigs' lower jaws with big tusks. It has been generally surmised that these represented wild boars killed by the master of the house and a sort of proof of his valour, and I expect it was so in former times. Now-a-days they are those of pigs reared in the house, and the woman who can show the biggest is the proudest. All the domestic animals, as well as the cooking utensils, belong entirely to the housewife. Above the pigs' teeth are rows of spears of different sorts; along the inside of the house-wall are boxes and mats, and the middle of the floor is kept clean and clear. As a rule, you will find big figures, cut in wood in natural size, in the middle of the floor representing men in European dress. More than once have I started, on going up into a house, at a man standing ready to strike me; and I have found it to be one of these figures. They do not worship idols, but still they like to have images of all sorts about the house. As a rule, one or two figures are tied to the roof, and hang down about five feet from the floor. These figures are of every description. Sometimes a ship in full-rig and the captain with a speaking-trumpet or a telescope in his hand. The ship is made to rest on a fish of great size; very often the fish has the head of an alligator. The roof of the house is like a cupola, and is made with beautiful regularity. A grating is constructed so as to cut off the upper part of the dome, and there are kept the things they want well preserved or well smoked; for, as there is no funnel for the smoke, it has to strain out through the roof and leave all the soot behind. The grating is therefore, as a rule, black. This round cupola-shape presents the least resistance to the wind and rain, and gives more room than square-built houses would afford. Several villages have, however, lately been burnt by English men-of-war; in such villages you will find many square-shaped houses. At a distance, the round houses resemble bee-hives.

On both sides of the village the boats, or rather canoes, lie. Their canoes. These are very light, and are carried up high-and-dry as soon as work is done. The canoes are made of one piece of wood, hollowed out and burnt, always very carefully made. The canoes are flat-bottomed and big-bellied, but narrow above, with a little raised rail, and small sticks are laid across at regular intervals to sit on. They have an outrigger and are fast-sailing and very safe when managed with care. The bow protrudes so far that a man can stand on it with his spear. Their war canoes have got a peculiarly-formed ornament some ten feet above the bow, like a figure-head ornamented with dragons.

Where the reef allows the boats to come near to the village, Village posts. some high poles are raised, with knots of leaves tied all the way up; these leaves are green when the poles are raised.

The dress of the people is scanty, only so much as decency Dress. demands. The men have a narrow strip, two inches broad, hanging down behind like a tail, and the women wear a little blue skirt. Vanity has however there, as elsewhere, its worshippers. The greatest prize in dress is a black silk hat, and many an old man appears when he wants to be grandest with an old silk hat and his little strip of cloth. For a woman a skirt sewed after the European fashion is a treasure. The usual thing was to see the whole village turn out and dress when my boat approached.

Except at low tide, when all meet, you will find each person at his own work, which is often different from that of his neighbour; for each house has to supply everything for itself as far as it can. Some villages have no *Pandanus* or pan-leaf and are supplied from others; but what they are possessed of each man must look to for himself. To get *Pandanus* is left to the women, but cocoanuts the men fetch.

At low-tide, off go all spare hands to fish, the men in small Way of fishing. canoes, one or two in each. They spear the fish and are splendid shots and sharp-eyed. Should the tide fall after dark, so much the better they say. The fisherman then holds a torch in his hand. It consists of a dry cocoanut leaf tied at intervals. Sometimes the harbour is covered with these lights at night. The man looks for fish in all directions. In his left hand he holds the torch, in his right a light spear.

On those islands where there is trade with ships the inhabitants Rice, an article of trade. like rice very well and are eager to exchange nuts for it.

Though the Nicobarese have many pigs and fowls, it would be a Their food. mistake to think that they eat much meat. On common occasions 'larome' (*Pandanus* bread), cocoanut fruit or rice is their main food, together with fish. Fish they are very eager to obtain. They fry it on a spit and eat it half-raw. Only on great occasions will they kill pigs and fowls; and then they have a regular feast, eating as much as they can, and drinking the toddy of the cocoanut-palm till they are quite drunk. Such a feast generally goes on for a day or two.

Stimulants.

The climate being malarious and enervating, the Nicobarese use pan-leaf, betel-nut, and quick-lime as a stimulant. They chew these things together and to such excess that the quick-lime forms a black lump all round their teeth, and this gives their mouth a most hideous appearance. A future historian of these people may quite safely speak of 'parted lips,' for after a certain age their lips never meet again till all the teeth are gone. This altogether spoils the looks of these people, who otherwise might be called good-looking. They cannot live without these things and they take them wherever they go. This craving after stimulants which the debilitating climate creates makes them drink much liquor. The only liquor they can produce is the toddy (*i. e.*, the palm wine made out of the juice of the cocoanut tree). In every house a thick bamboo stands in some corner containing this wine for common use.

Arrack.

The trading ships have, however, introduced within the last thirty years some detestable white arrack from Penang, which certainly in a short time will make their numbers decrease if its importation is not totally stopped and some better liquor substituted in its place.

Their houses are always open for any traveller or visitor, and their hospitality knows no bounds. When any stranger comes, he hauls up his boat, goes into the house where he intends to stay, (or, if a total stranger, into the nearest one,) helps himself to what he wants, and is not subjected to any questions. This is a little trait not to be found with all people. He calls for what he cannot find, and when he is satisfied, he sits down and talks; but unless he chooses to tell, he is not questioned about himself or his affairs, or the reason of his trip. When he goes away, he says 'I go;' they answer 'Stop a little;' 'Now it is enough,' he says; 'Stop a little,' they reply.

Mothers.

A peculiar custom is, that when a woman is ascertained to be pregnant, she and her husband are supposed to desist from all work. They then have a holiday. They pay visits to their relatives in other villages, and wherever they go they are feasted, and it is considered very lucky if they will go to the gardens and sow some vegetable seed there. Then they think the garden and its owner prospers better. Their children they are fond of, and every man and woman is willing to carry another person's child if the mother is tired of carrying it.

The mothers are fond of boasting of how many children they have. It is not only an honorable, but also a profitable thing to have many children, because when they grow up they very carefully tend their old parents.

Head of the house.

The father is the head of the family, and after his death the mother assumes that position, and they exercise a certain amount of authority. A boy or a young man is always supposed to give way to an old man and to obey him, whoever he may be. The eldest brother is the head of the family when the parents are dead. In one house generally many people live, mostly a father with his sons and their families. I have counted in one house the old

mother with four married couples, with their five children,—all her children and grand-children,—in all, fourteen persons.

When the parents are dead, the children divide the cocoanut and *Pandanus* trees, as well as other property of that description. Heirs and marriages. The house falls to the eldest brother and he takes the greater part of the cocoanut trees; but, on the whole, they share pretty equally. The sisters take no portion. Those that were married before the parents died received at the time of their marriage some cocoanut and *Pandanus* trees for their support. Those that marry afterwards are allotted trees and pigs by the brothers. As long as they are unmarried, they generally live with their eldest brother, but sometimes they go to some other relatives. The girls are married when marriageable, generally at thirteen to fifteen years of age, and, strange to say, there are invariably less girls than boys in a family. They are perfectly free to choose their husbands, but the question of trees and pigs very often influences their relatives, who then lay a certain pressure on them. The marriage takes place without further ceremonies, and it is very rare that the wife is found unfaithful to her husband. But very often a couple separate and marry again if they do not agree, so that a woman sometimes has had four or five husbands at different times. If there are children when they separate, the children are given in charge of some relatives, and are not brought into the new husband's or new wife's house.

They are the most honest, upright, and good-natured people Good-natured. that I know of. I have been several times in a village where nearly every one was drunk. I did not see one angry face; nor did I ever hear any quarrelling among them.

They esteem their women highly, treat them tenderly, and are very jealous of them. This is one of their best features and forms a great contrast to the customs of most Eastern countries. While a Hindoo or Mussulman woman is a slave and a chattel, a Nicobarese looks up to his mother, wife, and sister. The women are very good-looking when young, but when the teeth turn black their good looks soon disappear. The position of woman.

Religious superstition plays a great part in their lives. The Nicobarese believe in a life hereafter and also believe in spirits. Religious superstition and customs. These spirits they seem to fear more than to love. Among the spirits are the defunct, and these they fear more than any. Ill-luck of all sorts they ascribe to these 'Iwi.' The word for these spirits and for 'to become' is the same.

To the sun and the moon they attribute mystical powers; and Sun and moon. at certain stages of the moon they will work, at others not. Their priests are called 'manloëne,' and are supposed to be able to cope Their priests. with the supernatural.

These priests are also their doctors, and every cure is combined with ghost exhortation and a spiritual fight between the priest and the spirit who has possessed himself of the sick man. The priests shroud themselves in a good deal of mystery, and practise

ventriloquism to some slight extent. I was once rather ill with fever when I was visited by some Nicobar friends. They pitied me and told me to take advice from their 'manloëne.' 'Very well,' I said, 'bring one.' Next day they returned with a priest, who began to rub my chest, at the same time murmuring something to himself. Occasionally he blew in his hand, and said it was life he blew into it. Suddenly he shrieked and produced a pig's tooth, which he said he had pressed out of my chest! The tooth is now in the Ethnographical Museum in Copenhagen. Since this little affair the priests do not like me so well, and always think I want to mock them when I try to get hold of their tales and theories.

Libation.

Religious feast.

One must always be on the look-out, for the spirits are prone to mischief. If in any village there is much sickness, the many bad 'Iwis' are the cause; if no fish is caught, again they are spirited away. To keep these *dii manes* from making too much mischief, it is necessary to satisfy them with offerings, and this is done on every occasion. When a man drinks anything, he offers a libation, as the old Romans did, and especially is this done at their feast for the spirits, or, as the missionaries called it, 'the devils' feast.' I believe it is more a sort of '*feralia*.' On this occasion all relatives and friends are invited. The men sit quietly and smoke or drink. The women,—each from her own stock,—bring provisions of all sorts, implements, weapons, and curiosities. The women set up a horrible howling, and after cutting and breaking up their gifts, they throw them outside the house. A monster pig is then killed and roasted whole over the fire; meanwhile the men sit and drink till the pig is ready. The best portion is appropriated for the living, and some parts for the *manes*. The heap of sacrificed things lies outside the house till the tide washes it away.

Embarkation.

When the sacrifices* are at an end, the spirits are supposed to be more tractable. The priests, who have not eaten for a long time beforehand, but by constant potations and mysterious ceremonies have brought themselves up to a certain excited pitch, then commence their conjurations. They are daubed over the face with red paint and rubbed with oil over the body. In deep bass voices they sing a doleful dirge and rush wildly about. On the beach lies a small model of a boat adorned with garlands made of fresh leaves. The priests want to catch hold of the spirit; they coax, scold, abuse and rush after their invisible antagonist. During this part of the feast the women howl worse than ever, and it is not to be wondered at if the spirits give in. At last it comes to a fight hand-to-hand, and after great trouble the '*Iwi*' is safely brought on board and seated on the skiff. Young men in boats then tow the craft out so far that it will not, led by tide and wind, return to their village,

* About these sacrifices, compare J. J. A. Worsaae *Om Betydningen af vore store Mosefund fra den Ældre Jernalder*, Kjøbenhavn, 1868, page 2p.p. 12p.p., where this savant explains the great sacrifices from the Danish Iron Age.

Vide also *Denmark in the Early Iron Age*, illustrated by recent peat mosses of Slesvig, London, 1866, 4to.

and there set it adrift and then they return to their feast. At this stage the serious part of the feast is over, and all sorts of fun is kept up, but especially eating and drinking, singing and dancing. It is curious that the 'Iwis' are considered safe, if taken out to sea.

The Nicobarese are very musical, and some of them have ^{Musical.} a very fine ear and sing very well. They make on hollow bamboos a stringed musical instrument on which they accompany themselves.

Their dance is a round dance, which is performed inside the ^{Dance.} cupola-formed houses. They lay their arms across each other's backs, with their hands resting on the next man's opposite shoulder, and then form a circle. One man leads, and to a monotonous song they step out, sometimes to the left, sometimes to the right, the leader giving the direction, occasionally all jumping and coming down on both heels.

A chief from the neighbourhood had a son born to him during ^{Naming-feast.} my first stay, and he came to me very proudly and told me about it, and asked me to come and name the child. I went there. The little boy was at his mother's breast in a corner of the house. I could see that great preparations had been made for a feast: fowls lay roasted in heaps; pork had been cut up; *Pandanus* bread, the *Cycas* bread, and all other good things were ready to be attacked. The guests were waiting below. When the father had given the boy his Nicobar name and I his English name, three old women who were present set up a great crying. They, however, soon settled on the floor, (collected round a trough and crying all the while,) and commenced to throw little bits of fowl and pork and all the other eatable things collected for the feast into the trough; every time they threw a bit in, one would say: 'He will be as handsome as his uncle Johoang;' the other: 'He will be brave to kill the pigs;' the third: 'He will find the fish,' or 'He will plant many nuts;' or 'The buffaloes will fly before him,' and so on.

When this curious ceremony had taken place, the trough was thrown into the sea, and the little boy belonged to the society of men. How they finished the day I cannot say, but I have a suspicion that they made the best of their time, for the next day a deputation came to me for a little present of rum.

Though they are a good-natured people, still quarrels do happen, ^{Quarrels and fights.} but they are never fought out at the moment. The friends put a stop to the quarrelling, and if it only concerns a trifle, it is settled with angry words by the parties' friends, but it ends in a feast given by the man who is considered in the wrong. One of the most frequent causes of a quarrel between villages is the landing of the little skiff I previously mentioned, in which the spirit had been sent away. Where it lands, there the evil spirit is supposed to stop. Should it land near any village, it causes enmity. In such a case the affronted village holds a council of war, and relatives and friends from far and near are secretly called upon for help. A certain dark night is fixed upon, and noiselessly the aggressors

- arrive by high-tide, when all in the village they are going to attack are sleeping. Their arms are long sticks steeped in pig's blood and covered with sand. They now fall upon their enemies. The sticks are, however, so long that they cannot be used inside the houses. As every house has a number of sticks standing ready at all times, they can hardly be accused of unfair attacks.
- Fighting hats.** The combatants cover their heads with hats that are well padded, so that no heads are broken. The aggressors' faces are smeared with red color or pig's blood as the occasion may be, and they howl like wild beasts. The fight now goes on till the one party is getting the worst of it. The women then rush between them with sword-blades and cry for peace. This is granted, and the aggressors remain as the guests of their former enemies for a day or two; being well feasted and tired of this sort of happiness, they go back with aching brains to their own places. Such fights occur also on other occasions, such as when offence has been given. It then sometimes happens that the sticks are covered with little bits of glass. This custom seems to me to point to a wise lawgiver who has devised this way of settling petty quarrels to save bloodshed. During my second stay at the Nicobars there was a fight of this sort. Okpank (*i. e.*, Captain Johnson), the evil genius of the Nancowry tribe, began to assume the position of a chief and wanted to give orders to villagers other than his own. This man, whose character is very bad, has nevertheless from time to time acquired some influence on account of his talking English during the visits of the English men-of-war and in the first days of the Settlement, as he was often employed as an interpreter; but on account of his being so false, nobody liked to have anything to do with him. The other villagers refused to obey him, whereupon, he having at his back a big family and two big villages, called out Malacca and Inuange to fight him. He overruled their fears that it was so near the Settlement by saying that I would not know anything about the fight. The fight came off, and Malacca and Inuange assembled with so large a force that Okpank and his party were thoroughly beaten. Upon this he rushed off to me and wanted me to burn the villages which were opposed to him. This perfidious behaviour irritated the opponents very much, and the feeling was very bitter against him, when I went to Malacca with him. Malacca and Inuange had stolen amarch upon him, for they had called upon all their relatives from Trinkut and from the western coast, and I was astonished to see what a number of bruises the young men had to show,—broken fingers and sore shoulders *ad infinitum*. They were daubed red on the face and looked very savage.
- A fight.**
- A hero.**
- The whole affair was, however, so little dangerous that I brought my wife, and she was at once taken charge of by an old woman, who said that she would answer for her safety. Before sunset peace was restored in the villages.

Gardening.

The Nicobarese are capital gardeners. They plant all their cocoanuts and clear jungles for vegetable gardens. Gardening is, however, a matter of difficulty, as the trading ships that come

want vegetables very much, and their semi-wild pigs would root them up entirely. They therefore club together and clear a piece of jungle in an out-of-the-way place where they hope nobody will find it. I have visited such gardens, and they bear good testimony to their industry. Seeds are very eagerly sought after, and I expect in some years fruits of all sorts will be very plentiful. Cotton was introduced by the Danes, and it grows in big bushes round the villages, and the Nicobarese carefully collect the cotton. A minute Chinese orange-tree is found at Malacca,—the only trace of the garden of the Moravian missionaries. At all the islands different varieties of limes and oranges occur.

The way the Nicobarese treat their dead is peculiar. When a man Burial. is dead, his relatives assemble and clothe him nicely and he is buried behind the villages with wailing. They then open his boxes and rummage his house, and all that was his of movable things is brought outside and destroyed. It is not considered loyal to take any inheritance from relatives except such things as boats, trees, houses, &c. Sometimes even his boats are broken up. The spears are splintered and all that was his is arranged as a sort of monument over the grave. Afterwards imitations are put on the grave. The mourning then commences, which lasts for two months.* Mourning. All the blood relatives, even distant ones, go into mourning. This consists in abstinence from all sorts of amusements and from certain favorite things. During the mourning no dancing or singing is allowed in the dead man's village. No pigs are killed, no liquor is touched, and the nearest relatives even abstain from tobacco. This last is certainly no little sacrifice of comfort on their part. When the time is over, the mourners collect at the grave and dig it up again. The nearest female relatives, wife or mother, seize the man's head, and tear whatever flesh or foreign matter there may be off the skull. The dead is then again given over to mother-earth, Re-burial. but often memory of the defunct dwells many years among them.

In December every year the busy time commences at these islands. From Great and Little Nicobar the people come in The trading season. boats to the Nancowry group, bringing baskets of different kinds (amongst others the very much valued open ones for fowls), tortoise-shell, split rattan for boat-work, and the bark of the sestus, and a few boats. The sestus bark is now a traditional thing. Up to some forty years ago (*Rev. D. Rosen*) the women wore it instead of cloth, but they always wear blue cloth now. It is now used for mats. From Schowra the people come to the Nancowry group to buy whatever the Nancowry people have got, *i. e.*, their own produce and what they get from Great and Little Nicobar. From Nancowry nearly all the northerly islands are supplied with boats and spears. The Schowra men bring in return pots (which they manufacture themselves) and pig-spears of a very antiquated model. The Nancowry men also go to Schowra and meet there the Car Nicobar men, who pay very highly for boats and all the other

* By 'mourning' is meant that they abstain from certain things, not that they dress peculiarly.

things in hard cash, cloth, some close-grained baskets, which they manufacture themselves. The Car Nicobar people are the most numerous and wealthy tribe of all. A man is rich at the Nicobars when he possesses above four hundred rupees, plenty of pigs, nuts and sons.

The Nicobarese are very conservative. They do exactly as their fathers did, and do not differ at all from what is delivered down to them. I must, however, note that in 1831 they used leaf tobacco; now they will not touch it but use instead China tobacco, and make little cigarettes with dry leaves, which they smoke. They do not do it in the same way as is customary in Burmah; I rather think that the Portuguese captains, who brought them their language, imported the art of making cigarettes.

I have in the above few lines tried to give a brief sketch of this people, with whom I have spent many happy days. Their truthfulness, honesty, good-humour and politeness, industry and diligence, I had ample occasion to observe. Many things which I should have liked to touch upon I have not been able to, not to swell these pages too much; but I may at a later period have another chance. I have been alone with them in their boats, and they have had me entirely in their power; I have slept in their houses and enjoyed their hospitality. I shall never forget one night I spent in a Nicobar hut. Captain W. Miller and myself were on our way from the north-east point of Trinkut, homeward bound. It was a dirty, wet night, with high winds and breakers. We lost our way along the rocks at the south-east end of the island and had to seek shelter; we turned about and found a village. The natives were roused. When they heard how matters stood, they gave us a house and my men another. They gave us food and clothes, and an hour after our arrival,—half-starved and wet,—we lay after a good dinner very comfortably sleeping in the hut of our hospitable hosts. They saw us home next morning.

If the Nicobars were more healthy, it would be one of the finest places in the world. A fine climate, a fine soil, beautiful scenery, splendid harbours, peaceful natives are here. If there was no fever, what could be wanted more?

The Nicobarese have all they want, yet they like very much to barter with foreigners, but their experiences have not been very good.

Kidnapping and robbing Malays have been succeeded by cheating Portuguese (at the end of the last and the beginning of this century); then by English vessels; and last by the wretched country vessels. They are great linguists. You may, to a certain extent, tell the history of the islands as far as it has been connected with trade through the languages spoken. The oldest men yet speak the corrupted Portuguese that still lingers in the East. Middle-aged men speak very often a little bad sailor-English; the young men, especially South and East, speak Burmese; the boys a little Hindustani: all talk Malay and their own language. At Car Nicobar they talk English pretty well. It is a marvel that, though

they all more or less talk some foreign language, their own is still so free from foreign words, that it is only such things as rice, cat, hat, &c., that are of other origin. These things have at a late period been introduced. It is no wonder then that these poor people have become distrustful. If they did not satisfy the cupidity of these traders, they were ill-treated, murdered, and robbed; and if they, who had no courts or laws, retaliated, they were designated blood-thirsty pirates. In front of the Settlement in the village of Malacca, a crew went ashore during my first stay and robbed the graves of the village in the presence of all the inhabitants. If that happened within hail of the Settlement, what has then in former days taken place?

At different times European missionaries have visited the islands, but with the exception of a few rosaries, they have left no traces behind them. The Danes have several times, and the Austrians once, attempted to colonise these islands.

On the 16th January 1711, two Jesuits, P. Faure and P. Bonnet, 1711. landed at Great Nicobar. There they remained for two years and a half. They were afterwards killed at Camorta, without leaving any record of their stay there.

On the 8th of September 1754, a Danish expedition started from Tranquebar to form a colony on the islands. Lieutenant Tanck was in charge, and brought fifty soldiers and eight guns, besides coolies. On the 1st January 1756, he took possession of Great Nicobar in the name of the King of Denmark. The colony was called 'New Denmark.' The flag was hoisted, saluted, and toasted, and a new song was composed for the occasion. The quaint old Danish author to whom I am indebted for this information adds that 'the poetry was about as great a failure as the colony.'

1754. THE
DANISH GOVT.
take possession.

In a short time, dangerous illness appeared and reduced the colonists to one-fifth of the original number. Mr. Wolquarts, who was sent to relieve Lieutenant Tanck, found only thirty sick men left. Lieutenant Tanck and his assistant, Faye, were dead, and Lieutenant Tannen was in charge. Before Lieutenant Tanck died, he forwarded to the Government at Tranquebar a representation of the wretched condition they were in, and the result of an expedition made to the Nancowry harbour. Mr. Wolquarts had instructions to remove the Settlement to one of the islands round Nancowry harbour, if he found the present position unfavorable. It would appear that Lieutenants Tanck and Tannen were constantly quarrelling, and did not keep up proper discipline among their men.

Mr. Wolquarts resolved to remove the Settlement, and on the 18th October 1756 he took possession of Camorta, and called the new Settlement 'Ny Sjølland' after the Danish island of that name. The Nicobarese ceded the place to the Danes.

The Settlement was begun in the worst season; the men had no shelter from the moonsoon. On the 6th of December Mr. Wolquarts died. His assistant, Mr. Lund, who on his demise took

charge, mentions as the reasons why the attempt did not succeed, that it was a bad time of the year, the winds were high, the rains were washing over the land, the want of proper discipline, difference of opinion between the officers of the expedition, and consequently disorderly conduct of the men. Drink, disorderly life, unwholesome food, sleeping exposed to the night air (which even the Nicobarese took care not to do) ruined their health. Mr. Wolquarts is said to have been too sparing in care of the sick men and in refreshments for the laborers. Mr. Lund further insinuates that Mr. Wolquarts owed his death to being too liberal to himself! The sickness, however, decreased; they began cutting down jungle, to collect betel-nuts and cowries to send away in ships that were to arrive.

Then a new officer, Jens Tweed, arrived with a reinforcement of two invalids to Camorta. Governor Jens Tweed seems to have been an old man given to drink, and he died after eighteen days' residence at the Nicobars. On his voyage to Camorta (now called Nancowry) he touched at Great Nicobar, and he brought a number of the natives from this island, who however suffered from some infectious disease, and the men of the Danish Settlement caught it. Sickness increased; their courage began to fail, and the Nicobarese began to worry them. The Nicobarese who arrived with Mr. Tweed robbed the Settlement stores, and the Camorta men assisted them. They threatened fire and murder if they did not get at once the guns, powder and balls. The settlers were too few and too weak to resist; they tried to make peace and sought safety in flight, and went to Achin in Sumatra in the *Ebenezer*, which was lying in the harbour.

1768—1787.
Moravian Brethren.

The Danish India Company lost, after the beforementioned unlucky attempts, all courage, and offered the Moravian Brethren privileges if they would attempt to convert the Nicobarese and to colonise the islands. Count Zinzendorff, the founder of the sect and their mission college, had a long correspondence about the matter, and the result was that the Moravian Brethren were allowed to begin a settlement at the Nicobars or elsewhere in the Danish possessions. In the year 1759 (or three years after Mr. Wolquarts took possession of Camorta) a number of Brethren arrived at Tranquebar. It may here be noticed that the first Protestant missionaries who ever came out to India came out with a view to christianise the Nicobars, and were subsidised by the Danish Government at a time when the Hon. East India Company would not allow a Christian minister of any sect within its dominions for fear that they might interfere with trade. They had, however, no means to carry out their Christian and charitable intentions, so they settled quietly at Tranquebar and bided the time when they could start. At last after eight years' expectations, in 1768, six Moravian Brethren arrived at Nancowry, accompanied by six 'Evangelists,' six European soldiers, and six sepoys. The old author from whom I am quoting is very angry with the Brethren for not fetching themselves wives from Bompoka or elsewhere. He calls it a 'He-colony.' The missionaries of this sect, who

spent so many years at Nancowry harbour, did not succeed however in christianising the natives, or making a good settlement. They had to earn their bread by the sweat of their brows. Some of the most curious land-shells and sea-shells which science possesses, and which are to this day unique specimens, were collected by these noble men, who had to trade for their subsistence and to look to the seasons for their food and necessities. It may not be wondered at that the natives were not converted; for they do not esteem a man who trades with them for his living, and could not be brought to believe that these men came to bring them light and truth.

The Moravian missionaries kept up their establishment from 1768 to 1787, or nineteen years; but as late as 1804 a man called Palmer and his wife went to this place. He also was a Moravian Brother. In 1768, when they first settled, they squatted in an open space between the villages of Malacca and Inuange. The remains of their brick-house is now inside a peepul-tree, and a brick-well is still a silent and eloquent witness of these men, whom the love of God brought from their country far away to die in His cause, and though no visible traces are to be seen in the doings or sayings of the natives, still they have not lived in vain. The example of good men may have left some good among their neighbours. An old man told me, in 1871, that his father had told him of the Europeans who lived there when he (the father) was a little boy, and he said that the spirits did them no harm while those men lived there, but when they went away, sickness took the upper hand. The bricks, which these Europeans made with their own hands a hundred years ago, are now part of the big well in the new English settlement. This was the condition attached to their permission to go to the Nicobars:—that the Moravian Brethren were bound to keep up a colony, so that the sovereignty of the Danish King might not be doubted or endangered. During their stay the Austrians made an attempt to colonise the islands, which were Danish at this time, as the following will show,—and I here add the necessary information to supply the Austrian version of the affair, which will be found in *Selections from the Records of the Government of India, Home Department*, No. LXXVII, pp. 197—203; and in the same book, pp. 31—54, will be found a series of letters written in 1812 by the only surviving missionary brother Johan Gottfred Hænsel, which graphically describe the life, sufferings, and fate of these men and their mission. In the year 1784 the Danish Government sent a supply of provisions and a wooden house. Up to that year twenty-four missionaries had died,—thirteen in Nancowry and eleven shortly after their arrival at Tranquebar.

On the 6th of June 1778 arrived the Imperial Roman (i. e., 1778. Austrian) frigate *Joseph and Maria Theresa* and anchored in Nancowry harbour by Camorta. The Commander, Captain Bennett, visited the Brethren at Nancowry and inspected their establishment; asked about the quality of the soil; what the aim of the settlers was, and informed them that the frigate carrying forty-eight guns —had left Livorno under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel von

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tempt.

Boltz, who now was stopping on the Malabar coast in Palampatam, from whence he had sent him to the Nicobar Islands. Captain Bennett then showed the Brethren his orders from Lieutenant-Colonel von Boltz and gave them a copy.

In this letter, Lieutenant-Colonel von Boltz, orders that, as Denmark had given up the islands, Captain Bennett was to add them to the Roman Empire. He was to visit the Moravian missionaries, take them under the protection of the Emperor, hoist the Austrian flag, and promise them good pay, as they might be useful for the trade that was to come. He was also ordered to send one of the missionaries to Lieutenant-Colonel von Boltz. The missionaries, however, according to the report, which they sent to the Danish Government, protested against these proceedings, stating that they were under the orders and protection of the Danish King and could not hoist the Imperial flag. They also refused the pay promised, and refused to come to Lieutenant-Colonel von Boltz.

Captain Bennett selected the site on which the first Danish settlement was—the very one that is now occupied by the penal settlement of the Indian Government. He began to build a house, made a garden and a road, and cut passages through the jungle. One month and six days after his arrival the ceremonies of taking possession were held. The guns were fired, and Captain Bennett proclaimed that henceforth the Nicobars belonged to the Holy Roman Empire. In August a fort was made with eight guns, and leaving three Europeans behind, the frigate sailed, never to return.

When this affair became known at Tranquebar, the Danish Government protested. Lieutenant-Colonel von Boltz excused himself, and said it was a *bond fide* transaction, as Denmark had given the islands up. He denied that the missionaries had protested, and even asserted that they consented to his taking possession. He even stated "that all the inhabitants of the four islands, "Nancowry, Camorta, Trinkut and Katchall, had with one voice "begged to be received as subjects to His Majesty the Emperor, and "under his most high protection."

This last assertion is so glaring, that I do not hesitate to state that the brave Lieutenant-Colonel must entirely have drawn on his imagination for this feeling of the natives. I can well understand that a mercantile company, as the one Colonel von Boltz served, required to put full reports from the East before the shareholders, but it is too fine to be credited by any one who has visited these islands. Von Boltz's expedition ended very soon. The three Europeans whom he left behind lived in great misery till a Danish vessel took them away to Tranquebar. The powder magazine was until lately to be seen; with it disappeared the last trace of the Austrian expedition.

1787.

In the year 1787, the Moravian missionaries left the Nicobars and gave up their establishment there. The Government at Tranquebar sent over one lieutenant, a corporal and six privates to keep up the guard.

From 1787 till 1807 the Danish guard on Nancowry was kept up. 1787—1807.

In 1790, the Rev. Mr. Engelhardt was deputed by the Danish Government to report on the Nicobars and how best to make a colony. He died, however, after nineteen days' stay at Nancowry. His being sent there shows that the Danes had not given up colonising at that period. 1790: Rev. Mr. Engelhardt.

In the same year Mr. Topping, an English officer, visited the Nicobars in the cutter *Mary*. He found the guard to consist of a country-born sergeant of Dutch descent, two Mulatto soldiers, two sepoys, one artillery man and two caffree slaves.

In 1807, the English commenced war with Denmark and took possession of the Nicobars. The little guard then on the spot returned to Tranquebar. This conquest does not seem to have been recorded in history. During this period an Italian Jesuit visited Car Nicobar from Rangoon, but he had to leave the island in a short time. 1807—1814.

In 1814, the islands were given over to Denmark by the English. 1814—1831.

The Danes were thinking of colonising them, but it was not till the 1st August 1831 that a new settlement was begun under the auspices of Revd. D. Rosen. 1st August 1831. The last Danish settlement.

Mr. Rosen was a Danish Lutheran minister in Government employ at Tranquebar. He had access to the old records, and he worked himself gradually into the belief, that he could successfully colonise the Nicobars. It would of course have been a great boon to Denmark if it could have been done, as the islands are fertile, and trade might have flourished here. This could not be done at Tranquebar and Serampore, when the territory was surrounded by English land, and everything paid a transit duty of twenty per cent; so that no Danish merchant could compete with his neighbours. Mr. Rosen was enthusiastic in starting the Settlement, and hoped that it might turn out a blessing to his country, and right bravely did he try to make it succeed.

He imagined that if he should be able to surmount the difficulty of the climate, all would go well. He, for that purpose, prepared a wooden house at Tranquebar—30 feet by 12 feet and two-storied. He selected three carpenters, a cooper, a smith, a cook, twelve coolies and thirteen lascars and a European sergeant. Four cows and two bullocks were also sent.

With these men, the house and the stores, he sailed in a little schooner bought for the expedition. On the 1st August 1831 the schooner anchored in Nancowry harbour. The site selected was the same as for the first Danish settlement, where also the Austrians had been, and where now the Indian penal settlement is.

The settlers at once began making the site for a house ready. The wooden house was put up, and was inhabitable on the 10th of September. It was where the Christian prisoners' quarters are now.

Before the 1st of September half the number of the settlers were laid up with fever, and on the 11th of September the European sergeant died. He was buried below the hill, where a tree is still growing, opposite the commissariat godown. On the 22nd of September the schooner left, taking away three men that were ill. Mr. Rosen tried now to put everything in order, but he had no good food for his men, no doctor, and was obliged to practise in medicine himself. The men were dissatisfied, especially the Hindus, and the Nicobarese would not work for him. He thought the place on which they had settled was very unhealthy on account of the swamp on all sides, and made up his mind to remove to Mongkata hill further west, where the ruins are still to be seen. With much coaxing, he succeeded in getting a little of the mangrove and undergrowth cleared away, partly by the aid of the Nicobarese. As ill luck would have it, a vessel was wrecked on Little Nicobar, with two hundred natives of India on board. The Nicobarese took possession of the cargo, which consisted of cloth and tobacco, while the wrecked people came in great numbers to Mr. Rosen. The stores of the wreck spoiled the market entirely, as the natives thereby got the only luxuries they cared for, and Mr. Rosen had after that time great difficulty in procuring any supplies from them.

1st December
1831.

On the 1st December 1831 the schooner arrived again from Tranquebar. It brought a doctor, another European sergeant, some sepoys, coolies and stores. The schooner went then to Little Nicobar, and fetched the remnant of the wrecked crew up to Nancowry. Mr. Rosen could not, however, keep this number of people, especially as they would not work for their support. Nearly the whole crew was therefore shipped in the schooner for Achin on the 1st January 1832. The schooner returned on the 22nd January, but did not bring the pepper plants which Mr. Rosen so eagerly wanted, nor any hill paddy (*i. e.*, rice for seed). Mr. Rosen had up to the 16th January kept in good health, but on that day he had the first attack. Sickness increased, and the cooks were all laid up with fever. The fever never left Mr. Rosen again; till the day of his death in 1856, in Denmark, he had reminders of his stay at the Nicobars. The crops failed, and the doctor was ill.

15th April 1832.
The house burnt
down.

Mr. Rosen's difficulties closed in upon him from all sides. On the 15th April 1832 the schooner returned, and on the same day the wooden house was burnt with all its stores. This loss was the worst of all, for the wooden house was the best quarters in the place,—the only one which was raised from the ground. All Mr. Rosen's clothes, books, and diary were lost. This was a great misfortune; and suffering as Mr. Rosen and all his men were, he lost all faith in the two sites where they were working. He thought he would try to go to Car Nicobar with all his men.

6th July to 1st
Sept. 1832.
A vain attempt
to visit Car
Nicobar.

On the 6th July, the schooner again arrived from Tranquebar, and on the 24th Mr. Rosen shipped for Car Nicobar. The man in charge of the schooner was, however, a very bad sailor. He had no idea about reckoning, and after cruising about a good deal, they

arrived on the 11th August at Djunks Island. They got water there, and left on the 22nd August. On the 1st September they returned without even having sighted Car Nicobar.

On the 8th December, Mr. Rosen went on a visit to Bom-poka and Teressa to try to find a good site for a settlement, but he returned not very well pleased.

On the 9th December, the schooner arrived with orders for the return of the surgeon, and left on the 26th December.

In the beginning of 1833, one month was lost in a vain attempt to settle on Trinkut. The Nicobarese were afraid of the settlers interfering with their cocoanuts. The fever was very bad; the mosquitos, together with the sand-flies, did not allow the unfortunate settlers any sleep at night, and so the attempt was given up. 12th Jan. to 12th Feb. 1833.

On the 4th March, the schooner arrived from Tranquebar. The Danish Government was not well pleased with Mr. Rosen's plan of settling at Trinkut. 4th March. Schooner arrives.

In March the schooner started for Penang to fetch spice plants and Chinese gardeners. 18th March 1833.

The Settlement works were now progressing: salt was made; a brick-house begun, and the bricks for it partly made, partly brought from the ruins of the Moravian Brethren's house at Malacca.

In August a vessel freighted by the Tranquebar Government to bring supplies to Nancowry came in. The schooner which left on the 18th March had been unfortunate. Fever broke out among the crew. The captain and mate died; the crew deserted. The second mate attempted to bring her back, but did not succeed. He met heavy weather in the bay and had to put in to Penang. The captain of this vessel was, however, going to bring the schooner back as soon as he could. 5th August 1833.

After the vessel left, the works went on as before. Progress was made with the brick-house; sickness decreased. During the latter part of 1833 plantations were made of cocoanut trees, betel-nut, plantains, yams, mulberry, &c., &c. The burning of bricks was rather difficult, as there was no pug-mill in the Settlement. Everything seemed to thrive, when another danger appeared. On the 22nd December the supply of rice in store was only seventeen and a half bags. All supplies were nearly running out; so local industry sprang up. Mr. Rosen made his own bread; he made ghoor (*i. e.*, unrefined sugar) and salt; cocoanut oil was made for the lamps and was used instead of ghee, the supply of which had run out. On the 19th January, the rations of each man were lowered to four pounds of rice a week, and yams were substituted for the rest.

On the last day of January the schooner hove in sight, to the delight of all. She, however, only brought four Chinese gardeners and boxes with spice plants. You can imagine poor Mr. Rosen's feelings. He says that he felt like a wanderer in a desert, who, searching for water, finds gold. Spice plants he had always 31st January 1834.

The schooner
starts for rice.

imagined would be the best-paying cultivation. Now, at this moment, when they were near starvation, the gardeners and spice plants arrived. The captain who brought her down was the same man who came on the 5th of August. He found the vessel in Penang, but he suffered from fever, and when he at last started, she could not sail on account of barnacles accumulated on her. The schooner was despatched at once to Achin, but she touched the ground and could not start before the 6th of February. When she had gone, the Chinamen began to work their spice plantations, and in six weeks they were flourishing. On the 23rd of February the last rice was given out, and the settlers had only vegetables for food for some time. The men now refused to work, and Mr. Rosen was in great difficulties. He, however, made his people prepare the bread of the *Pandanus Mellori*, and before long the huts were all stocked with the *Pandanus* fruit. The health of the men was better during this period than in any previous one, but they did not work much. Mr. Rosen succeeded in getting a little rice from a Burman vessel, but only half a bag.

11th March 1834.

At last, on the 11th March, the schooner came in with rice, and the want was at an end. Now work was resumed, and half a bag of hill paddy (rice) was planted out. The Nicobarese seemed at this period a little more inclined to work on payment, and the plantations progressed well.

About this time Mr. Rosen made an excursion after the wild cattle at the north end of Nancowry. He saw their traces, but not the buffalos.

Just when everything seemed to promise success another adversity befel the unlucky Settlement. On the 4th of April the schooner was ready to start, the mails were closed, when news was brought that two Malay pirates had arrived. The Nicobarese brought news to Mr. Rosen of their movements, and as the captains of the two Malay vessels were well-known bad characters, and their behaviour was not very friendly to the natives, and as they also had made special inquiries about the Settlement, matters assumed rather a serious aspect. The schooner was detained. The lime-kiln was turned into a little fort, and wild betel-nut trees cut down and made into a stockade. The men were all armed, and strict watch was kept. As the two vessels, however, did not return from Great Nicobar, whither they had gone, and as fever broke out, the Revd. Mr. Rosen made up his mind to do without the schooner.

15th April 1834.

Two ship's guns were landed, and she started on the 15th April 1834. Mr. Rosen, after she had left, was very busy to get a place for the ammunition built inside the stockades, but in the middle of this busy time the rains broke in very violently, and the wretchedness was great. With the rains, however, the danger from the Malays ceased, for native crafts rarely beat against the monsoon. At the break of the monsoon, hill paddy was sown and throve very well. Out of half a bag, Mr. Rosen had the joy to get twelve bags. About this time the indefatigable and undaunted Mr. Rosen introduced a new sort of currency, which I cannot forbear mentioning, as it shows that the

Nicobarese are not so bad as generally believed, and that they will trust a good man's word. On arrival, tobacco leaves were found to be a good article of barter, but the tobacco had on account of the many mishaps run short, and Mr. Rosen therefore issued little slips of paper with a tobacco leaf drawn on them marked with as many dots as he promised to pay leaves. After a short while all the Nicobarese took these in payment for nuts and other things, and Mr. Rosen was able to get nuts when he wanted them. The schooner returned on 13th June with information that the Settlement was going to be broken up. Mr. Rosen was ordered to put it on a smaller scale, and to be in readiness to leave the next time the schooner arrived. As reasons for this resolution, it was stated, (1st,) that the Settlement did not seem to thrive, (2nd,) that it was too expensive, and (3rd,) that the climate was too unhealthy. Mr. Rosen now strove to finish the brick-house before he left; but, though the walls were put up, he never finished the roof, as both his carpenters died. A light roof of rough poles and leaves was put over.

About this time the Nicobarese asked Mr. Rosen to keep some of their children to teach them. It was, however, too late, as he was on the point of leaving. On the 1st November the schooner arrived from Tranquebar and brought a subordinate, who was to take charge of the establishment from the Revd. Mr. Rosen. The greater part of the workmen were embarked, and the Settlement may be considered as ended on the 16th December 1834, when Mr. Rosen left it, though it lingered on till 1837. Mr. Rosen had spent three and a half years in this place, and had with the means at his disposal done wonderfully well. Always active and ready for any emergency, not easily daunted, he deserves much praise, though his enterprise did not end in success. For this he was not answerable. The inadequate means at his disposal, the want of communication with his head-quarters, the paucity of his men, his want of experience, the unhealthy climate and a series of mishaps, all combined to defeat him, and he had just arrived at that point when success could have followed when he was recalled. Proper quarters were nearly finished, cultivation was flourishing, and he had learnt the language of the people of the islands. It is satisfactory to know that after his hardships in the Nicobars, he went home to Denmark, and spent his last years in a snug rectory in Zealand.

In 1845, Mr. H. Busch was sent round the Nicobar Islands in a little schooner to report on them. He was at the islands from the 18th March to 19th May. His diary is found in the *Records of the Government of India*, No. LXXVII, Calcutta, 1870.

In January 1846, the Danish corvette *Galatea* visited the islands. She was sent round the world on a scientific expedition by His Majesty King Christian VIII., himself a lover of art and a scientific man, and one of the objects of her voyage was to examine the Nicobars; and if they were thought worth colonising, she was to leave a part of her officers and crew at the islands. An old steamer, the *Ganges*, had been bought in Calcutta and placed in command of Danish officers. The expedition came

13th June 1834.

1st November 1834.

1845.
Mr. Busch in the
L'Espérance.
18th March to
19th May 1845.1846. 8th Jan. to
23rd Feb.
The Danish
corvette
Galatea.

1848 to 1848
The *Ganges*.

to the conclusion that an attempt at colonising the islands should be made, and the *Ganges* was left behind, when the *Galatea* proceeded; in the end of February, on her journey. The site of the Settlement was chosen on Little Nicobar in *Ganges* harbour, with Pulo Milo as a support.

The original journal kept on board the *Ganges*, which lies before me, illustrates, however, clearly the abortive attempt at colonising. Chinamen were imported from Penang. They cleared a little jungle; but opium was not provided, and sickness and death, as well as want of interest, made the matter drop entirely. The *Ganges* was nearly always at Penang, where it was much more agreeable to be, than at the feverish station. Then came 1848 and its political storms, and Denmark was no longer able to devote attention to these possessions. The *Galatea* and *Ganges* expeditions had cost very much money, and the best result of them was the paper written by Dr. Rink on the islands.

Dr. F. Von Hochstetter, who belonged to the *Novara* expedition, says in his own paper on the Nicobars: "As to scientific inquiry, I left the Nicobars quite unsatisfied, in spite of the "comparatively long time of one month which we spent in their "waters. I know how little my own observations increase the "geological knowledge of these islands, for which we are indebted "to Dr. Rink; for just the grandest objects,—the Islands *Teressa*, "Little and Great Nicobar,—remain altogether a *terra incognita*."

1848: Denmark
takes away her
flag.

In 1848, the Danish corvette *Valkyrien* was sent to take away the Dannebrog (*i. e.*, the Danish flag) from the different islands, and therewith all attempts ceased from her side.

1858: The
Novara.

On the 23rd February 1858 the Austrian frigate *Novara* anchored at Car Nicobar. She was on a scientific voyage round the world, and was especially sent to look at these islands. The report of her voyage has been printed and is well known. The commander of the expedition wrote a memorandum on the occupation of the Nicobars, and calculated the cost of the first year at £115,000.

The islands were for a long period (1848—1869) without any masters; matters were very unsatisfactory, and many complaints were made of piracies. The Indian Government then resolved on colonising them.

1869:
THE ENGLISH
take possession.

On the 27th of March 1869 the islands were taken possession of by Commander A. Morrell of H. M. S. *Spiteful* in the name of Queen Victoria. The flag was hoisted and saluted. The proclamation was, however, found not to put the islands under the Indian Government, so the ceremony was repeated on the 16th of April 1869, and the flag was again hoisted and saluted. The Great Indian Penal Settlement at Port Blair with its inexhaustible stores and resources being the support of the new Settlement, it was an easy matter to start well. It is an easier matter, with a regular monthly steam communication, to undertake to settle in such an unhealthy place, than it was for poor Mr. Rosen with his few men, little schooner, and with Tranquebar so far off. It is no blame

for the pioneers, who did not succeed in their undertaking, if the Nicobars, when taken in hand by the Indian Government and affiliated to Port Blair, will one day be an important station in the Indian seas.

H. M. S. *Dryad* came on the 24th January 1871 to Nan-^{1871: The Dryad.}cowry to take possession once more of the islands. She first touched at Galatea Bay in Great Nicobar, where a flag-staff was erected and the proclamation read. The site was chosen on the eastern side of the bay. The S. E. Point was called 'Hayward's Point,' the S. W. Point 'Miller's Point,' after a son of the celebrated geologist Hugh Miller, who accompanied the expedition. On the 1st of February 1871 the flag was hoisted at Car Nicobar on the eastern side of the northern bay. The bay was called 'Dryad's Bay' and the staff was erected on 'de Röepstorff's bluff' as it was called in remembrance of a Danish naval officer, who visited these islands a quarter of a century ago. This is the latest of the occasions that the islands have been taken possession of, and I hope it may be the last.

The Andamans were not permanently occupied by any Euro-^{Andamans.}pean nation till the end of the 18th century. In 1789 Lieutenant Blair, acting under orders from the Hon'ble East India Company, founded a penal settlement in the great harbour on the east coast of the 'South Andaman:' this was called 'Port Cornwallis.' The^{Port Cornwallis.} place was found to be very unhealthy, and the settlement was in 1792 abandoned, and a new one opened on the 'Great Andaman.'^{1789—1792.} Here also, however, sickness prevailed, and in 1793 it was given up in its turn. This second settlement was also called 'Port Corn-^{New Settlement. 1792—1793.}wallis.'

At the close of the mutiny in 1858 the want of a penal settle-ment was felt, and it was decided to open out one on the site of that founded by Lieutenant Blair in 1789, and it was now called 'Port^{Port Blair.} Blair.' On the 10th March 1858 the first batch of one thousand convicts, principally mutineers, arrived. Since the arrival of the first batch of convicts more than seventeen thousand have fol-lowed.

The Andaman Islands are densely covered with jungle, and with the exception of wild pigs, only a few berries are found in the forest to feed upon. The coast is, on the other hand, rich in shell-fish and oysters; the sea abounds in fish. The wild tribes that lived on these islands therefore kept near the sea, and not knowing the art of raising crops, lived by hunting pigs and fishing. The pigs are, however, not very plentiful, and so they mainly drew their supplies from the sea. On a convenient spot, where there was fresh water at hand, they would meet, and have their meals at these rendezvous places. A big shell-heap generally indicates where they met. These are the 'kjókkenmióddings,'^{Kjókkenmióddings.} of these islands. If you search them, you will find that all the shells in them have been under the influence of fire; and, in such where the form makes it difficult to get the animal out, the shells have been broken, invariably on the same part. It will also be

seen in searching these shell-heaps that the people have in the course of time changed their way of living. In the lower layers are found nicely-glazed pottery and iron arrow-heads.

This seems to indicate that they once were in a higher stage of civilisation than they now are. But even more peculiar is the circumstance that bones of birds are found in the lower layers, for at the time of Port Blair being opened out, they did not eat birds. Probably, with the loss of communication with the outer world and the consequent want of iron to form their arrow-heads, they gave up the chase of birds. The best eatable birds on these islands are the pigeons, but they sit high, more than one hundred feet from the ground. Oysters are found to have been the staple of their food formerly; now they will not touch them.

Origin.

The Andamanese are a dwarfed, woolly-haired, dark-skinned Negrito race. I believe that they are an old people in these places. Their 'kjókkenmióddings' indicate, by their number and size, that they are either the remains of an old but not numerous people or of a numerous people, who may have been a shorter time on these islands. And, as they were only slightly more numerous in 1792 than they are now, it is more likely that they are an old, not numerous, people. In several of the 'kjókkenmióddings' one foot or more of soil have formed above the top layer. This proves at least something.

The Revd. D. Rosen in his book on the Nicobars says that he has heard a rumour that they are the descendants of slaves wrecked on these islands. They may be; but I do not think so. They are divided into tribes, whose languages are very different, though a few fundamental words are common. This points to a length of time which has allowed the language to divide and change. Their number is, though not very great, at all events too great to suppose that they owe their origin to a few cast-away slaves. The climate is not very favorable. The Andamanese of the present day find it very difficult to rear their children. The great rains generally kill them, and it is hardly credible that the same people in a short time should have multiplied greatly and divided into tribes. I think it more likely that they are the original inhabitants of these once sterile islands, who have formerly been in a higher state of civilisation, and at all events had communication with other nations still in the stone age; for flint is found in their 'kjókkenmióddings,' and flint is not found at all *in situ* at the Andamans. They have now been trained to a certain degree and are becoming useful, bringing in runaway convicts, collecting tortoise-shells, pulling oars, and their time will soon be gone. They are passing away, as every other tribe of savages have invariably done when coming in contact with civilisation. Some of their children have been baptised, but it is an easier matter to baptise children and give them Christian names, godfathers and godmothers, than to make Christians of, and civilise the wild tribes of the jungle.

Finally, I beg to thank those officers of the Settlement who have given me assistance; also Cand. Philol. Mr. O. Siesbye, of Copenhagen, who kindly helped me with the dedication.

The copies that were printed at Port Blair having run out, the book has been reprinted at Calcutta and some remarks which I owe to the kindness of Mr. Tuson have been added.

CALCUTTA, }
20th January 1875. }

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1.—When in mourning or during pregnancy.

2-3.—The departing. 4.—So says the host.

5.—Thus E. H. M.

6.—*E. H. M.* 1 p. m. '*tchinfoitua anhsleh*,' 3 p. m. '*tchinfoitua anhsleh*,' 5 p. m. '*ladoya*.'

Annihilate	...	...	...	vi-hat.			
Announce	...	...	...	nghên.			
Annoyance	...	...	...	kistot.			
Annual	...	som en ju (<i>half-yearly</i>)	tjom-en-bihé	...	sarógûe.		
Another	...	dev-ve (<i>another time</i>)	dev (<i>another time</i>)	(one another) kua.			
	...	ju <i>another man</i>) pa-	jü-a	ki, kaa.			
Answer (8)	...	ju dev-ve.	sáoév	...	(8) ahop loa tju.		am-ma-da.
Ant	...	öshâp	jü-a	schap	...	...	...
Antler (9)	...	midorâ	...	telaat.	...	...	...
Anvil	...	hintöp	...	(9) ntaak.	...	...	...
Anxious	...	...	...	anet.	...	...	...
Ape (10) II	...	...	...	kistot.	...	go-it.	
Appetite (12)	...	(10) kân, döeng	pajun	kaing, kejin.	(12) tjombæ	...	
Approach	...	oi-gña	pató-ang	houhe	...	...
Approval	...	...	...	hêm.	...	...
Arbitrator	...	...	...	hebot-vetsen.	...	...
	...	...	...	páhé-ta-ghên. (i. e., <i>man who speaks</i>)	...	en-tjo-ong.	bo-e-kay.
Area-nut (13) (14)	...	(13) hja	omtjong	(14)	tisa-ak	...	
Arise	...	tjê-a-ka	...	...	...	...
Arm (15)	...	(15) koal	koal	...	kel	...	la-ha-e.
Arm-pit	...	oi-o-dô-s.	...	khor kél; mhakti	terum	...	
Arrack	...	wiinje; terum	terum	tarâm	
Arrive	reugt; theün.	

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7.—E. H. M. has 'del.' it seems doubtful, as the natives do not recognise it.
8.—G. 'Ojooala.'
9.—Danish 'Tak.'
10.—Novara, 'Dooasen kaseen,'
11.—Kalkchall Island, deEFF. 'morang-she,'
12.—G. 'Thaap,' doubtful.
13.—G. 'Nyid,' enau. The natives do not recognise the latter.
14.—deEFF. 'Hwang,'
15.—E. H. M. 'chee-kool,' not recognised.

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NARCOVY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLAISANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	INLAND RACE 'SHOBANGS.'	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Arrow	bel	eufahnje	...	endreien	...	(for fish) rā-ta. (for pigs) i-a-la-da.	
Arrowroot	amæ.	...	ta-liap.	...	...
Art	...	...	ta-	...	...
Article (of speech)	te-	...	tsie; iana; ianet.	...	...
As	...	...	hole.	...	...
Ascend	...	...	...	...	...
Ashes	ben ho-ā-we	fung; ben-ho-ā-we	...	sitōm	...		
Ask (16)	(16) hamā	...	hahā	harō-ang	goe nang-a	e-ché-we-rar-kay	
Asleep	ithēak	koming	...	lōm	gūo-in.		
Assist (17)	loa	...	i'hōrang.	...	...
Assure	...	...	rhaatk-ghēn.	...	...
Asterides	hatein paja.	...	huleang.	...	...
Attend on	...	...	kom ta akah.	...	...
Attention	...	...	...	...	...
Avarice	ho-o-en-tjua.	...	hēhānā.	...	...
Argument	...	...	hehomang-ta-	...	...
Avidity	...	...	karhā.	...	...
Aunt	hotjé	omt-jokó	...	jung-tju	dōi.		
Authorize	...	...	along.	...	...
Await	penterējon; ka-toev	...	...	dahāiteren	dæ-sēterekoēn.		
Away	...	péteréet meōm...	nphé	hanēang	karon		
Axe	enloin	ngūm	(take a-) hāle.	...	...
Azure	tjunóa	tjong-ma.	hamang	...	...
B.							
Baby	enmāne; kanjom	njé ta de efig	...	gria de konteno	koe-et-ta-tje-en.		
Bachelor	tompenshe	be-rō-e-ka	...	bat pehov	ba-gua-le	argó-carda-carda	
	iloō	...	...	...	...

Back (18) (19) ...	(19) òk; la òk ...	tabakut; ko ...	la-huk ...	... 18 ok	... tamnōi	... oth-goó-thor-da-
Backside ... G. tam.	hankōe.	...	...	...	...	...
Backbone ...	(20) hat lapóé ...	...	...	hat lak	...	jabagda. arb-jar-bug-da. 20 A.
Bad (20) (20A) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bag ...	shajor.	...	te-nam.	...	...	...
Balance ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bald ...	gna-koi ...	hē-koi	...	...	...	...
Ball ...	ahōl ...	...	pale.	...	...	...
Bamboo (21) (22)	(22) hetwa ...	ho-o-e	hahas	...	...	...
	(cask { kanhām	...	...	(21) hao.	...	...
	of ð-) { karoka	...	...	cast } (22) tjau-	...	...
	(bamboo	...	...	of ð-) ta.	...	...
	posts	kaneie	...	bamboo	...	...
	outside	...	...	posts	mai-e.	...
	villages)	...	...	outside	...	...
Banana ...	hibū ...	shōāt	...	...	...	...
Bandage ...	dāne ...	...	...	ta-jung-gie ...	mum.	...
Banner ...	hinwə.	...	...	laēn.	...	...
Barber ...	paju kohā koi ...	hohēane	...	...	...	...
Bark ...	loa ...	...	nko.	...	...	...
Barrel ...	pipe ...	pafunte	...	...	...	...
Barren ...	hat kōnje.	...	...	...	...	...
Basin ...	shok shanei tai ...	...	...	...	...	...
	(i. e. wash hands)	...	...	...	...	...
Basket ...	kanhong (for
	catching fish)	inōla
	kanahōla (for
	fowls)	hintain	ntanhje

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20.—E. H. M., 'menkoiey ashak'; *surely a mistake!*
 20A.—Little Andaman, de Eff, 'making bata.'
 21.—G. 'ha.'
 22.—E. H. M., 'dyeger'.

16.—E. H. M., 'atoh.'
 17.—Schoeva Island, de Eff, 'lorwag.'
 18.—de Eff, 'kioet'; *donbyfal*.
 19.—E. H. M., 'oka'.

Before (27)	27 d a l e i k a h æ (not behind) tiram (in time).	endāp (in time)...	huhēi	gnei tjua masi— (in time)	poēl.
Begin (28)	(28) wē ...	...	hanhangta.	...	...
Beginning	...	...	hanhangta-næt.	...	...
Behind	ta-la-ak ...	tomnoi	huk-hogn	la-ak.	...
Belch	ho-ov ...	o-koe	...	ko-ov-ve	o-ōel.
Ball	tinkang ...	...	uschthān	...	...
Belly (29)	wiang ...	...	viam	29 aithje	i-up
Below	(E. H. M.) deg ...	...	...	...	kau.
Belt	net on juang ...	kat-ta-kawook	...	janēt rat.	...
Bemoan	tjīm ...	pareit	...	pe-in	...
Bend	dohn ...	fōma	...	drōne.	te-gi-ke.
Beneath	(E. H. M.) hakté.	...	...	...	...
	(30) (b-nut) hija ...	(b-nut) umtjum ...	(b-nut) hebja	(b-nut) tisar.	...
	o-gūi-ha-hija.	...	...	...	...
	(du wild) uloga	(wild b-nut tree)	...	(wild b-nut tree)	...
	hija.	kana-grūe.	...	malau-grūe.	...
	(b-crusher) lano	...	...	(b-crusher) sanōng.	...
Betel (30, 31, 32)	hija.	...	...	(b-box) nañg-pe.	...
	(b-box) tan-āp ...	...	...	...	...
	(b-bark) hilóa	...	...	...	...
	hija.	...	...	...	...
	(31) (b-leaf) akæ	(b-leaf) panong ...	...	(b-leaf) takei-tje.	...
	(wild b-leaf) akæ	...	...	(wild b-leaf) kahe	...
	kā.	...	...	takei-tje.	...
	(imported do) tao-	...
Better	hehaué-lopeh ...	in takei-tje.	...
	(tob-)hehaué-lopat
	iwi hoatse.

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28.—G. 'joilait'; E. H. 'Man loon?'; not recognised by the natives.

24.—deEff. Schowara Island 'hijok.'

25.—Barbe has 'boyalkiah', obsolete.

26.—deEff. Schowara Island 'enkein'.

27.—E. H. M., 'adek.'

28.—E. H. M., 'koolat' doubtful.

29.—G. 'atiti'.

30.—E. H. M., 'tāseā heega'?

31.—E. H. M., 'det-heega'?

32.—deEff; 'detel-teaf'; Schowara Island, 'hija'.

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NAKOWAY DIALECT.	GREAT NIOOBAL.	THIRASA BY M. PLAMANT.	CAS NIOOBAL.	STANDARD NIOOBAL "SIOOBESSE."	AFRIKANAL WORDS.	REMARKS.
Beverage	...	...	kanhiong.	...	...	...	...
Big (33)	... (33) kadā	... omtein tu	...	po-eje	...	...	...
Bill	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bird (34) (35) (36)	... gmoá (i. e., <i>beak</i>)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Birds-nest (37) (38)	... (34) sijjōā	...	...	...	...	...	...
(39).	... (37) 38 (<i>any b.</i>)	... a-i	...	...	...	...	...
Biscuit (40) (41)	... hatleit (<i>edible</i>)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bite (42)	... hikāē.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bitter (43)	... (40) poāng	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bivalve	... (42) ōpkāp	...	...	...	...	...	...
Black (44)	... tsāk	...	...	...	...	...	...
Blacksmith	... hagūa-ō.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bladder	... (44) oel	...	...	...	...	...	...
Blade	... dom	...	...	...	...	...	...
Blind (45) (46)	... katlant	...	...	...	...	...	...
Blook	... (bl- <i>of sword</i>) in-	...	...	...	...	...	...
Blockade (47)	... ost-te kaling.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Blood (48) (48A)	... (i. e., <i>foreigner's knife</i>).	...	...	...	...	...	...
Blow	... (45) hat-hew	...	...	...	...	...	...
Blue (49)	... orólhāka (<i>of a ship</i>).
	... wāh. (<i>F.H.T.</i>) ou-
	... al-koi (<i>FP</i>) 48A.
	... hehei (<i>bl-the nose</i>)
	... 49 tjomóa (<i>F.H.T.</i>) tjom.

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- 33.—A. C. Man 'karup.'
 34.—Novara stichna, perhaps from *Teresoa*?
 35.—Galathea, 'mischiana?.'
 36.—Doubtful.
 37.—Fontana, 'inlegue, obsolete!'
 38.—E. H. Man 'hokang, not recognisable.
 39.—de Riff, Schoorra and Bompoka (cetable b-), 'ku.'
 40.—Malay.
 41.—Portuguese.
 42.—Notice the difference in pronunciation from 'tortoise-shell.'
 43.—Means 'not sweet.'
 44.—Fontana, 'thanula, obsolete!'
 45.—E. H. Man, 'mkecon.'
 46.—

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57.—*French*.
58.—*E. H. Man* has 'lūt'; not correct.
59.—and 60.—*From the Malay*.
61.—*of the Pandanus fruit*.
62.—*chest*.
63.—*breasts (woman)*.
64.—*drizzle*.
65.—*Nouara* 'tchao-snyana', probably for 'sister'.
66.—*E. H. M.* 'tchao-emlooya' (own br-.)?
 'tama ooshek' (half br-.)?
 'tchao' (abstract brother)? (sic!)
67.—*Portuguese*.
68.—*Hindustani*.
69.—*E. H. Man*. 'plooroo!'

	hinkok.	pálé-ta karhú (big ball).	(Hamilton, 1801) app.	(Nicobar c.) ho kehas. (Burmese c.) pine.	be-ja-da.
Cannon
Cannonball
Cance
Canvass
Cap
Captain
Cargo
Carpenter
Carve
Cash (72)
Cask (73)
Cat (74)
Catch
Cause
Cave
Cease

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70.—Gal, 'emogyne-kainist?' The latter half means 'coat'. The first half is doubtful.


71.—Fontana 1795 has 'kacoon', evidently the same word.

71A.—Vide 'Afterwards'.

72.—A curious trace from the time when the Portuguese traders were common in the Indian seas! At present the place are honored with this name.

73.—Portuguese.

74.—A Malay word which was in 1778 and is still in use.

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NANOOWEY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PAYSANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	INTANG BACT 'SHOREWEGS.'	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Centipede	... (<i>little c</i> -) tjunkoi	kave tjon deka-se- ap.	...	...	pamain	kar'-rup-thar- da.	
Cerute	(<i>big c</i> -) ka-se-ap. umhoin homlam	hilue	...	...	pania.		
Chetodon	meh sangje.	tehiya.		...			
Chain (75)	(75) (<i>of silver</i>) shahijok.	thija.	lanet (<i>to ch.</i>) hahehok.	...			
Chair	katæ-dæ. enpöje.	...	taring. kalyjast.	...	kabev.		
Chalk	shun	...	...	...
Change	(<i>i. e., barter</i>) har- row.	...	...	...
Channel	...	...	...	...
Character	...	...	...	...
Charcoal	shom joang	shak	...	...	shak.		
Chastity	...	...	teshu-khugtöt.	...	gna-töt.		
Cheap (76)	(76) ta pua	...	hat töt	...	onjokka.		
Cheat (77)	mitai	...	mitæ	...	balai.		
Cheek (78)	(77) kalo	...	alam	...	gnoa-tjie	e-garb-da. goobda. (<i>O. H. B.</i>)	
	tapoa	noin	...	tapoa	...	oth-coog'-da.	
Chest (box) (79)	(79) hoptæp	...	...	...	lafol.		
Chest (breast) (80)	olendæie	na	...	...	næ itenje		
Chew	ol-lofong.	...	...	...	tjéang ognok.		
Chicken	koen-kamóe	...	(<i>gon kaiom</i>) khuai kamun.	...	omibatei aoi.	ob-lé-gar-da. biola.	
Chief	onja	...	khui-kaptan	...	kæ-e	(<i>O. H. B.</i>) (<i>child-</i> <i>birth</i>) adaleeka.	
Child	kanjom	...	khinione	(<i>O. H. B.</i>) (<i>be</i> <i>with ch.</i>) ar- boodeeda	
	kon-tje	...	khuan	(<i>Galatea</i>) nhja (<i>Hamilton</i> , 1801) chu.	...		

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775.—Novara, 'malao'; it means 'a string of beads.'

76.—*Burmese.*

77.—E. H. Man. 'hai uoo pang ?'

78.—*Galatea Schowra.* 'dia.

79.—Fontana, 'anterio.'

18.—*L. onana*, *epiejo*.
20.—*de Rff.* *Schoora*, 'kanana'.

80.—*Gal.*; *efod.*
81.—*Gal.*; *efod.*

82.—*Fontana*: strip of cloth, 'lanoa.'

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NARCOSEY DIALECT.	GRANT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLASANT.	QAR NICOBAR.	INLAND SAOS 'SEOBENGs.'	AFRIKAY WORDS.	REMARKS.
Coast	kaje-tjuk ka-jija	...	tsio-matahet.	...	tanhañ.		
Coat (83)	(83) kanjut	...	...	...	...
Cock (84)	(84) kanôe kon.	...	...	...	(ripe-c) katal.		
Cockroach	la-mashá.	...	...	...	(green-c) húa.		
	(ripe c-) gnoat ...	...	...	...	...
	(green c-) jenong	...	...	...	...
	(kernel of c-) hint-jeng.	...	kábauk.	...	(husk of c.) hint-jeng.		
Cocconut (85)	(husk of c-) kataw	...	...	...	...
(86)	(c-tree) ogiau ojuu	...	(c-tree) huveang	(c-tree) ta-ñuk.	...		
	(nuts) jong-o-iau.	...	(empty-c) nlong há.	...	...
	(85) (ghee-c) hajan	...	(prepara c-) nlong té.	...	...
Cold	patiau kas	...	...	...	ho-enjup kaing	chos'-ke-kay.	
Collect	hesh	...	...	...	tjahuk.		
		
		
Comb	kanuat.	...	...	Gal. (come) táō	wén	keth-negra-o-kay.	
	kanewap.	...	(arrive) rough ...	matiaē.	kutta	minnikatah.	
	ka-é-té-ré	...	(approach) hem	...	...	(come away) mo-cho-weet-kay.	
Come	hengshe	(c-and play) mo'-cho-me-jurj-kay.	
		
Companion	hehang.		
	huleanga páhé.		

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88. — Fontana. 'Chanlo' obsolete!
89. — Fontana. 'Kamoo-kooep?' The stay of the 'Noara' at Nancowry was very short!
90. — Noara. 'Kamoo-kooep?' The stay of the 'Noara' at Nancowry was very short!

85.—*Glee means 'Indian melted better.' The nuts I call 'glee cocoanuts' are peculiar to the Nicobars, and are considered a great rarity.*

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NANCOWRY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLAMANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	LEAST BORN "SHORANES."	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Cradle	... ..	...	khink khinion (place for child). nghoik.	...	...	...
Crayfish	...	...	...	...	...	...
Create	mulhoel	...	huhé, huhomi.	...	moke.	...	
Creek	...	...	...	...	...	...	(O.H.B.) jeeg.
Crooked	kedāl	...	kirhol	...	wel ta o.	...	
Cross	hatain pejā.	...	...	...	...	...
Crossbrow	foing	...	...	...	fenji.	...	
Crow	...	...	...	...	...	...	bart'-oar-da.
Crush	...	...	nkhāa, khāa.	...	...	...
Cry	tjīm	...	patari, ratn. hæ hægne.	...	...	...	tiék'-o-kay. te-gi-ké. ta keeka (O. H.B.)
Cultivate	wějom	...	tikāat kahehole...	...	...	...	o-da-da (nau- tilus-shell).
Cup	piteng	...	...	...	...	...
Cupidity	...	...	...	...	...	...
Custom	(E.H.M.) tatoichu	...	hehomang-ta-ra- me-khia (desire after every tree). mhene.	...	...	...
Cut	ontoang, olkal	...	khianti, (e) khi- ansi.	...	kadenji	...	col.kay kapike ig-nar-le-kay (O.H.B.) chool- kā.
Cyclone	(F.E.T.) Oo-tala. (E.H.M.) hoora- sheh.	...	fhāa, nfhā, nkā	...	...	...
D.							
Dagger	sanéat	...	samiā (e)	...	...	...	ki.
Dah * (Burmese knife).	kidume kidjume.	...	...	...	...	...	kidum-nafo.

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NAWCOWEY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLAISANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	ISLAND NAME 'SPOKEN'.	AFANAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Delicious	shéang	...	...	...	sheit.		
Demand	oljôle	...	hahé-ten.	...	paw.		
Demi-egret	(<i>F. E. T.</i>) khū-ark.	...	hivi	...			
Demon (88)	(88) iwi	...	hat-ghên vetaen.	(<i>Gal.</i>) iaange.	tasheng	errum-chow-galla.	
Denmark (89)	(89) Tanemāru.	...	hōtsiét	...			
Deny	...	...	...	...
Descend	onhang	...	...	...
Devil (90)	(90) (<i>Hensel.</i>) eewee.	...	...	...
Dew	dju-shuwang.	...	...	...
Diety (91)	(<i>E. H. M.</i>) loih-sharong.	...	...	...
Die	kapá	...	kapæt	...	...	oc-ko-lee-kay. (<i>O. H. B.</i>) ockoo-lee-kā.	
Difference	karōke	...	nreng' ntsie.	...	...
Difficult	(<i>E. H. M.</i>) gnianayun.	...	hunhang-heng.	...	...	(<i>O. H. B.</i>) koop.	
Dig	...	...	...	...	...
Diminish	...	...	hehetsi.	...	...
Dirt	calghomat	...	hehū.	...	...
Dirty	(<i>F. E. T.</i>) eu	...	hifū-heu.	...	...
Disapprove	...	...	hat-behōt.	...	...
Discover	...	...	hatalang.	...	...
Disease	pomkeie	...	op.	...	o-efig-ha poak.	ek-bung-gikay.	
Disgrust	...	...	hoh'hangataike. ♀	...	...
Dishonest	...	...	hat-tulan-akee	oldi	...		
Disobedient	kaló	...	(<i>be d.</i>) miki-haie.	...	...
Displease	...	...	hoh'hangataike.	...	...
Distant	...	...	...	...	...	(<i>O. H. B.</i>) il-lurpa.	
Distribute	...	...	aluha	...	...	(<i>O. H. B.</i>) wālkā.	

Dive	hamp.	...	...	...	tolat (<i>how to give</i> <i>see</i>).	...	...	...	6-kay-yar-be (<i>do</i> <i>not touch it</i>).	...
Divide	harrow	...	...	...	aluba.	...	...	...	on-kar-nar-kay (<i>do not do that</i>).	...
	tjit akah (<i>do not</i> <i>know</i>).	...	...	...	kit akah (<i>do not</i> <i>know</i>).	...	...	...	ar-ka-wel-u p- kay (<i>I have</i> <i>done enough</i>).	...
Do	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	be-bee*	...
Doctor	manlō-ins	...	...	...	...	...	...	penlunne.	...	...
Dog (93)	(92) ahm	...	...	...	hōm	...	...	kup	...	...
Dollar	para.	...	...	...	...	...	...	(<i>Hagitation</i>) tāmam	...	...
Door	kakani.	...	...	...	...	...	...	(<i>Gal.</i>) anm.	...	...
Double	foang.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Dove	vide Pigeon	...	...	...	iang-amōk.	...	...	gride (<i>sit d.</i>)...	lot'-te-kay.	...
Down (94)	pūje (<i>sit d.</i>)	...	...	...	hehemōnk.	...	...	kantay (<i>s. e.</i> , <i>wait</i>).	the'g'-ge-kay (<i>put d.</i>)	...
	...	...	...	...	kahāak.	...	...	...	o-cho-thoow (<i>move d.</i>)	...
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	arth-bul.	...
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	akadōkay (<i>sit</i> <i>d.</i>).	...
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	arth-bul-ler-ge kay (<i>lie d.</i>).	...

* 'Be-bee'-dog.
It is often said at
the Andamans that
this word has been
adopted by a mistake
from the Hindus-
tani; it means 'a
woman' in this lan-
guage. This seems
to me very unlikely;
just as unlikely as
the old story that the
Andaman 'negrito'
should come from
African slaves
wrecked on these
coasts in a Por-
tuguese vessel. Their
'bjōk kenmōdōdō'
prove that they have
been longer in these
islands than the
Portuguese have
been in India.

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91.—Is a cloth which a Hindoo wears in lieu of trousers.

92.—So also Rosen.

93.—Wallace, Mysol, 'yen.'

94.—deff, Schowra, 'poshe.'
Gal, Little Nicobar, 'kantar.' } sit down.

88.—In the meaning of the Greek *daijwv*.
89.—They have a very distinct recollection of the Danes.
90.—I do not believe that the spirits which the Nicobarees fear could be called devils. They are the 'manes.' That however the Moravian missionary might take that view is easy to understand, and others as the Revd. Barbe, Novara, and E. H. Man did not speak the language at the time when they made their collections.

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NAROWAY DIALECT.	GRAND NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. FRANK.	CAR NICOBAR.	ISLAND NAME 'SHORINGS.'	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Draw	... ..	...	tsak	...	...	do-e'-kay.	
Dream	en-fó-a	...	níā-huho	omfe	konfoeng tas.		
Dress	... ..	...	kiníoh.	(95) ka-ot	laha-e	wil'-lit-kay.	
Drink (95)	top, pem	...	nhiong	...	koak	willike; tjakay (O.H.B.) oligka.	
Drive	top umhoín (smoke tobacco).	...	...	...	...
Drunk	harjan (d-away).	...	khui (dr. away).	mashōta	kaloe.		
Duck	hujós	...	huhohohé	...	...
Dumb	wét	...	hâté.	...	...
Dust	... ..	...	hatnheōle	...	...	or-ko-mool-we-kay.	
	piét	...	hahia (chiliid).	...	...
E.	...	...	...	...	...
Ear (96) (97)	(96) nang	...	nang	...	gña	e-poo'-koo-da.	
	(97) ijé itiei	...	kot, kogn, mife	...	gñe (ear-ache)	(O.H.B.) pokoo.	
	(earsticks).	...	sanamnanng (ear-spoon).	...	ijei (ear-sticks)		
Early	al haki.	...	...	...	...
Earring (98)	(98) (E. H. M.)	...	...	...	hong	(O. H. B.) gñā.	
Earth (99)	eetohai.	...	...	...	...	(O. H. ...) boogooka (bury in the earth).	
	(99) oal mattei	...	matah set (world) lenku (quake).	...	...
East (100)	(100) fol	...	...	...	komdeng (north-east monsoon).		
	has fol (north-east monsoon).	...	...	...	...
Ease oneself	... ..	...	...	...	...
Easy	(E. H. M.) too yun.	...	...	...	...	(O. H. B.) riohiaka.	

Lat (101) (102) (103).	(101) auk nók ...	kanjap	...	(102) ungha ...	(Hamilton) gnia	nak	...	(103) mækré, mækay tick- boot ray (<i>satis- fied with eating</i>). el-la-air-kay (<i>O. H. B.</i>) aka- waitka.
Ebb-tide
Ebony
Edible
Eel
Egg
Eight
Eighteen
Eighty
Either—or
Elbow
Elder
Elephant
Elephantiasis
Eleven
Else
Embers
Employ
Empty

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95.—Hamilton, Car Nicobar, 'okk.'

Gal, drinking vessel, 'dhyagar.'

96.—Wallace, 'Mysoh, tanaa.

97.—So also Rosen.

98.—Does not mean 'ear-rings,' but the sticks they wear in their big-bored ears.

99.—Rosen, 'eod-mat tai.'

E. H. M., 'doo ?'; doubtful.

100.—Rosen, 'fai.'

101.—Pontanus, 'kassio.'

102.—Teresa, de Rff, 'yis kaka' (I eat).

103.—Little Andaman, de Rff, 'makut léis' (I am satisfied).

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NARCOUWY DIALECT.	GRAND NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLAINLY.	CAR NICOBAR.	INLAND PLACE "SHOREWASH."	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Encampment (104)	...	...	...	...	...	(104) (O. H. B.) aḍr.	
Encointe	...	...	...	...	...	(O. H. B.) ar-bodida.	
End	...	...	lét, gon-(to e-) mang (the e-)	...	...	(105) thoo-roo-mar-ba.	
English	In-glasi.	...	tet háat	...	gna ho-e		
Enough (105)	léat	...	vetsen. hián sang'n. iatet.	...	...
Enter	...	...	rhane, rhane. hehohang.	...	...
Equal	oign.	...	atan	...	...
Escape	...	...	ladije.	...	...
Esteem	...	...	ráme páhé	...	...
Evening	engse shup heng (just before sunset).	...	ta-ráme. ráme-khiuk.	...	...
Everyone	ladi-eje-(sunset) hatam (while it is dark).	...	net lopáh.	...	...
Everywhere	omtóm	...	khiak ghen net lo-páh ka vi pá-hé (speak evil of a person).	...	...
Evil	hat lapóh	...	tan hibaai. metam; sehia. lháak.	...	...
European	kalén (foreigner).	...	kóm-te-akah.	...	...
Exceed	...	...		...	...
Exchange	umkom si tjámmé	...		...	...
Expensive	...	...		...	...
Experience	...	...		...	...

er-ram-chow-galla
(the evil spirit).

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NAWCONY DIALECT.	GRAND NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. FLAIBANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	ISLAND PLACE SHORINGS.	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Fast	lo-ś (quick)	...	...	...	aha aha	O. H. B. ma-meeka (<i>fast asleep</i>). O. H. B. roneka (<i>faster</i>).	
Fat	onbéang (lard)	...	hul'hu (lard)	...	pashō-oi	arb-par-tar-tho ga.	
Father	pontjerah to-foa-po tja	...	nehang tahang iæt ; kaiet (old man).	...	...	O. H. B. pata.	
Father-in-law	Gal. komiahtje	...	pap kumhje.	...	...	mi-o-la.	
Favour	...	...	tahnihæsten.	...	...	ar-o-de-ræ.	
Fear	pohoa	...	rhamaug he-kapèt (fear of death).	...	pa-œ-a.		
Feast	milœ	...	hatnáak ; hellamong long.	...	enméafg.		
Feather (111)	(111) puyól.	...	...	...	ojā, penhūt	O. H. B. spaila Do. abara (unmarried).	
Female	enkāna	...	...	...	...	Do. abchabil (married). djerri djobda (maiden). poo-too-da.	
Fence	katang	...	...	...	...	arb-on'-yar-da abæt.	
Fern	dela-tō-in	...	...	...	hanā.		
Fever	tōo	...	...	...	tein ; fōp		
Few (111A)	ti tjoha, F. E. T. hat-orro-assi (111A).	...	kua, ki, kōa.		
Field	senet dat shéen, lenki	...	fō.		

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1111.—*Novara*, 'ant-layebbery' means a pen. One of the mistakes liable to occur, when a vocabulary is to be made of a new language in a week!

112.—Long stick, steeped in pig's blood and rolled in sand. This is used in all petty feuds.

111114.—Vido Much and Many. This word of Mr. Tson's is only the negative added to 'many'!

114.—*Little Andaman* 'de Rff.', 'makw^u lele.'

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NAKOOWEY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERMS BY M. PLAMANT.	GRAND NICOBAR.	CAS NICOBAR.	ISLAND NAME 'SHOWINGS.'	ASTANAY WORDS.	REMARKS.
Fireplace (115) ...	(115) gñi heóe (house for f.).	...	...	...	(Gal.) sítam.	...	...
Firewood ...	he-á-ka ...	...	hok iná ...	...	(Gal.) kuanghere ...	...	chár-pa-da; bini.	
Fish (116) ...	(116) ká ...	...	huhot; kha ...	...	(Ham.) ka ...	gna ...	yarthá'da.	
	oktoakā (to f-with ine).	...	karah ...	...	...	...	ukra.	
Fish-hook ...	karau hat lot ...	...	karah. ...	...	...	kade kohaigu.	kapokay.	
Fish-spear ...	hokpák (wooden f.) ...	...	...	...	...	gagan.	...	
	mia (forked iron f.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	monheangte sha- nein (one barbed iron f.)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fist ...	...	...	kubihu.	...	...	...	...
Fit ...	idi. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Five ...	tanei ...	...	tani	...	(Gal.) tanein ...	deñg.	...	
Flag ...	fehwa.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flame ...	henwa.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flannel ...	tiul.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flat ...	kañg-i.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flatten ...	cengabe.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flea ...	...	...	rhám.	...	...	...	...
Flesh ...	shēi.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flight ...	ahan	...	lupā	...	(Gal.) ghanérs	ke-inje.	...	
Flint ...	tase.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flint ...	hindeal.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flog ...	ori.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flood ...	hev	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flower ...	shi	...	eang schia (flower bough).	...	...	...	ella-boo-kay.	
	kanla na óng	...	hi; eang-khiá.	...	...	...	...
Flute ...	(Gal.) henhæl ...	...	neheurie.	...	...	...	...
Fly (as fly) (117 A) ...	šie (117 A)	...	...	...	...	...	...	(O.H.B.) bornee.
Fly (as fly) ...	(F. E. T.) haingna	...	ta s	...	...	...	war-ter-pe-kay?	
Flying-fish ...	monkeang.	...	...	...	...	...	...

Foliage	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	hubato.	...	...	...	kakéā	...	mæk.
Follow	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	teang.	...	...	...	tjék	...	on-parg'-da.
Food	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	hat náák maheháat.	...	gundron	...	...	...	paguda.
Foot (117)	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	K (e) (1,000 foot).	...	...	...	...	...	ig-moo'-goo-da-
Forbidden	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	...	...	...	...	en kō-i	...	(O.H.B.) (O.H.B.)ajekā.
Forehead (118)	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	habási	...	...	...	...	...	...
Foreigner	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Forest	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	khíá	...	...	...	ong-a-do	...	...
Forget	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	fuongato; l'ha'n pengatt	...	...	...	pūel.	...	...
Forgive	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	...	...	...	...	a deñp.	...	...
Fork	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	hubag'n. nlén.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Formerly	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	fue-tón	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fortify	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Forty	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Four	foue, fen, fuan foan.	fou.
Fourteen	iang-tón-fone.
Fowl (119) (120)	kanwan.
Fox
Frame	mang.

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118.—*Rosen.* 'Lal.'
119.—*Malay.* 'Tafó'ák.'
120.—*Rosen.*

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NANCOWEY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLAINANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	INLAND RACE 'SHOBANGA'.	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Fresh	fāb-dag (<i>fresh water</i>).	...	dui (<i>fresh water</i>).	...	
Friend	kahihot-komivi mivi.	...	...	padoo.	
Frighten	pahāt.	...	o-wō-a	(O. H. B.) rupun.	
Frog	an'-ga-rar-da.	
From	tein-le	(O. H. B.) tirboot.	
Fruit	kā (<i>satisfied</i>).	
Full	renāng.	...	...	...
Full-moon	talhé.	...	...	...
Future	
G.							
Gait	kalamā.	...	anāp.	...	
Gape	fāb	...	...	...
Garden	hēm.	...	...	...
Gather	hāhā	...	...	...
Geccoo	
Get up	Gal. kiaaléré	...	bo-e-kay. (O. H. B.) kapeeka.	
Gift	tahnihāteen.	...	...	...
Gild	homleame.	...	...	...
Gill	
Ginger	
Gird	...	nlen	...	...	...	...	appalla (<i>women</i>).
Girl	djerri-djōbda (<i>maiden</i>).
	kanjom enkāna.	...	...	...	...	...

Give	...	kjnan hatta	...	...	...	kété; kēt nrongkté; sāt (<i>g-back</i>).	...	...	...	...	...	ai-nar'-kay. (<i>O. H. B.</i>) omokā
Glad	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	or-tho-yil-lar- kay edja.
Glass	...	lahetwā (<i>big</i>)	...	sune (<i>Wicks</i>)	...	...	...	...	njanteré.	...	...	onkay. (<i>O. H. B.</i>) itaree (<i>go out, i. e., a light</i>).
Gnat	...	wétéré (<i>small</i>).	...	...	...	ave; heāgn; thim	...	...	bishūēng.	...	...	dar-rine-lek- now-lar-kay (<i>go up a tree</i>).
Go (121)	...	mihōje (121) tju ju tju (<i>I go or a good boy</i>).	...	...	...	hafof sag'n (<i>go on board</i>).	...	...	...	...	...	mo-cho-on-kay (<i>let us go</i>).
Goat	...	kaporā.	...	...	...	iatet (<i>go in</i>)	...	...	...	...	...	thot-ma.
Goblet	...	tajak.	...	...	...	thindi-okei	...	...	bawī	...	...	beringada.*
God	...	Hensel knallen	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	bearingada. (<i>O. H. B.</i>) baree gudda.
Gold	...	iwi; teos.	...	...	...	homlaame.	...	...	...	...	...
Good	...	golmōre enlūne. lapōé	...	...	...	helang; l'hāak,	...	...	shai-tong; kō	...	...
Good-bye (122)	...	shéang (<i>i. e., sweet</i>)	...	...	...	lopah tsang (<i>sweet</i>): tulan.	...	...	...	...	...
	(122)	(122) ju tju; ta- wāte de me de rōe.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	(123).	(123) bé haré.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

*These three forms are all correct and are understood by the natives that visit the Settlements. I have on purpose given three different spellings to show how gradually words steal into the Andamanese dialects.

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121.—A. C. Man. 'Estakke,' means 'to sleep.' Mr. Man was only there about three weeks. He collected 86 words, of which 23 were new ones.

122.—The departing guest.
123.—The host.

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NAROWAY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA ET M. PAISANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	ISLAND BAO 'SHOREWEGS.'	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Goose	o-ko'-ang-ka.	ardoati.	The convict ward- ers and others who have to communi- cate with these sav- ages use a curious mixture of English- Hindustani inter- spersed with words of real Andaman origin. This they would like to pass off for the Andaman language, but many of the words are 'bare-goods' for very good. 'un- chids' of the Hin- dustani 'nuchas' distinctly show that the Andamanese are just as good lin- guists as those with whom they have to transact business. 'Jarroowallahs' be- come 'Jarudawad- das' or 'Jarra wud- dabs'. These names are used of the mye- thical inland tribes that is believed to live close to the Port Blair Settlement. Lately the people of Little Andaman have been included under the same name.
Granddaughter	kōin kōan	...	...	...	...	...
Grandfather	tjōm kōnje	...	...	...	...	...
Grandmother	tjōm nkāna	...	...	...	...	...
Grandson	kōin kōan	...	...	...	...	...
Grass (124)	(124) shenl.	...	...	...	...	...
Gratitude	habeha seng.	...	...	...	...	...
Grave	ol ōle	...	...	...	...	...
Grease	onheam	...	...	...	...	...
Great	orohatse (<i>in quan- tity</i>).	...	...	...	...	...
Green	kadū (<i>in size</i>).	...	...	...	...	...
Grief	tjumōa (<i>E. H. M.</i>) tjēt; kei-tje-jen.	...	...	...	...	...
Groan	(<i>E. H. M.</i>) tjō-an	...	...	...	...	...
Ground	tansen	...	...	...	...	...
Grow	...	...	...	...	...	...
Guano	(<i>E. H. M.</i>) aing- ala-sh.	...	...	...	...	...
Guard	...	...	...	...	...	...
Guava	gojāwa.	...	...	...	...	...
Gum	Rosen bega-d.	...	...	...	...	...
Gun	hindel hinkok (<i>ship's gun</i>).	...	...	...	...	...
Ganja (<i>Cannabis setiva</i> .)	kanin	...	...	...	...	...
Gunpowder	taru.	...	...	...	...	...
H.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hag (125)	(125) Rosen ang- na unjāha.	...	...	...	...	...

Hair (126)	hankōjé; juók; (<i>F. E. T.</i>) yorok. kejōl; pujoł hitoa (<i>hair-dress</i>)	...	...	behok	...	(<i>Gal.</i>) kheni	...	hō	...	oth-pij-da. tiōlda ^p (<i>O. H. B.</i>) peej- ga. (<i>O. H. B.</i>) too- lea (<i>white h.</i>)
Half	wona kōēde (<i>A- ship of China- men</i>). oign	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hammer	dom	...	...	lā. māhāa. renāan. lofoh isale (<i>right h.</i>), munté; mukté	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hand (127) (128)	(128) ganitei	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Handkerchief	tanot hoang	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Handsome	(<i>E. H. M.</i>) ya maisehka.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hang	poka-on-lon'-ge...	...	...	hawnhōlēt	...	...	...	...	...	...
Happy	(<i>E. H. M.</i>) yah- natau.	...	...	hāhē. khiuk-khiniong (<i>i. e., ship's place</i>). kalet	...	...	...	...	...	...
Harbour	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hard	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hat	shapéau (<i>Malay</i>)
Hatch
Hatchet	enlōin
Hate	(<i>E. H. M.</i>) ha natau.
Have	ōt (<i>i. e., is</i>)
		khjiang	...	(<i>Gal.</i>) nkiēne.

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124.—*E. H. M.* 'Shen' (ordinary gr-) 'opjooop' (jungle gr-) 'shen-fō' | 128.—Schowra, de Bff. 'kāt'; 'hān mein.'

126.—Means 'old woman.' | 127.—Schowra, de Bff. 'kāt'; 'kōt-nanōh.'

128.—Esen. 'Genda.'

[illegible]

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128 A.—*Rosen.*—'Goeth.'
128 B.—*Rosen.*—'Galahaia.'

129.—*Fontana*.—‘*Taffach*,’ not recognized in the present day by the natives.
130.—*Fontana*.—‘*Maade*.’

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NARCOWEY DIALECT.	GREAT NIOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLAINTE.	CAR NIOBAR.	INLAND RICH 'SEORANGS.'	AFDANAY WORDS.	REMARKS.
Horse (131)	(131) ghora.	...	...	...	shomhosa	on'-yet-da.	
Hot	ke-6-jen; tain (F. E. T.) (<i>vide</i> Heat).	...	...	...	...	tjangda.	
House (132) (133)	(132) gñi	...	nijée nji tinlap nihjē (<i>be-fore the house</i>).	(133) patti	...	budelin.	
How	katōm (<i>how many</i>). tamenāi	...	katsi-ka	...	tani (<i>how many</i>).	(O. H. B.) boodhla.	
Human	...	...	omnéan (<i>how many</i>).	...	...	...
Humour	...	...	omnan (<i>how much</i>).	...	kalél.	...	
Humpback	omō tanein inein (<i>of nuts</i>).	...	nkōnhje (<i>k-being</i>)	...	...	...
Hundred (134)	(134) tanein und-joné <i>of other things</i> (<i>but of nuts it means 'four hundred'</i>).	...	kinté (<i>bad k-</i>) karhū-huk. ianguang.	...	...	...
Hunger	...	...	som khinni.	...	...	...
Hunt	oi-gña	go-it	tanein-undjome	(<i>h. l.</i>) l'hop	patōan	akagarikay. rogo thelekay (<i>h. pigs</i>).	
Hurt	...	...	honhe	...	...	choom'-da.	
Husband	nkoinje	...	...	...	...	ardgararay (<i>to h-</i>).	
Hut (135)	(135) gñi. gñi kopula (<i>bee-formed h-</i>).	...	nkonhje.	...	...	...

I.	I	tjāa	tjua <i>Ex.</i>	khin	...	...	...	itjé	...	dolla; angol. arkawellupkay (I have done enough).
Idle	...	hátakeien.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Idol	...	karéav.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
If	...	karé-a-va.	...	ianse, ianet.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ignorant	hat-liap.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Illness	...	pomkei-e.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Illtreat	holhehang'n	...	...	...	tain.	...	...
Imitate	akhiot-la-mang	...	...	...	...	...	...
Immediately	...	(E. H. M.) hoom- yee (<i>copy</i>).	...	hetsyg'n.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Immortal	hat-ráatk-kapæt.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Immoveable	nphé.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Impossible	...	(E. H. M.) oola- hadshéh.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Impost	hat-ráatk.	...	...	...	...	...	...
In	háane.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Incessantly	hetsyg'n.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inconstant	hat-ráatk-nphé.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Indecent	hat-ráatk-nphé.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Indefatigable	hat-tulan-atse.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inebriate	hat-ráatk-kemháie	...	...	...	...	...	...
Inform	...	hujóé	kalov.	...	(O. H. E.) pur- cheka.
Insanity
Inside	...	al	...	pahál-pahé.
Instruct	háane.
	siap.

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131.—Hindustani; this is, perhaps, the last word in the language that has been adopted.

132.—Bosn. 'Njé'.

133.—Hamilton. 'Albanum.'

134.—Fontana. 'Stoom-sicom.'

135.—E. H. Man. 'Kuskerpa,' (doubtful).

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NAGOWEY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLARANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	INLAND RACE 'SHOREERS.'	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Interpreter	...	...	binhi.	...	...	(O. H. B.) tool-but.	
Invitation	... (E. H. M.) kala	...	hukët-vim (<i>invite</i>).	...	nāk	wōlu.	
Iron	... kala younde.	kadō	garan	...	...	mich-'e-bar-da	
Is	... karau	...	...	...	lāk	(<i>what is it?</i>)	
Island (136)	... ðt	...	...	...	...	umé-la-par'-kay	
It	... (136) ohœv	...	matahœt.	...	...	(<i>it rains</i>).	
	... marty	...	pulo (<i>Malay</i>).	...	...	wool-lun-tho-ga-da	
	... (E. H. M.) an	...	ju tong amé (<i>it rains</i>).	...	...	(<i>it blows hard</i>).	
	... or poonan.	...	...	...	...	polour chainkdā	
		...	...	...	...	(<i>it is rough</i>).	
J.							
Jacket	... kanjut	kanhóin.	...	...	...	ar-kun-thol kay	
Jacktree	... nankā.	...	...	...	tjue	tab-bal-pe-kay	
Jar (137)	... (137) (A. C. M.)	...	...	...	...	(O. H. B.) tā-lama.	
	... oorat.	...	khinmunté.	...	...	...
Joint	... ...	...	huhiaœt.	...	...	...
Joke	... ...	...	...	...	...	...
Jump (137 A)	... tinhopshe	hamp poi (137A)	...	...	...	...
Jungle (137 B)	... oltjōa	hœvbeŋg (137B)	...	...	...	...
Just	... ...	kanev alœa.	...	...	...	...
	... ...	...	tulan.	...	...	...
K.							
Kanlahe	... This is the Nicobar name for the English Settlement.	...	...	...	...	...

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NANGOWAY DIALECT.	GREAT NIOOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PRAIRANT.	CAR NIOOBAR.	INLAND NIOOBAR 'SHOOLONGA.'	ADAMAL WORDS.	REMARKS.
Ladle	{ hanæt deagh ... tajak tjoa. ... ja shanéal.	...	...	...	tosh.		
Lamb	kapéres tompen- she.	...	khuen-mhæ.	...			
Lame	she-ka-en	...	mhearam.	...	henleen	ongé-gow-kay.	
Lamp (140) (141)	gwi-he-ō-e	thuk autoan (Wicks).	khink-tamāai	(140) sitom tamāi.	...		
Lance	(vide Spear)	...	timlok.	...			
Land (142)	(142) lenki	...	fò.	...	...	i-ji-bærigada. thógarda. ro-cho-ba.	
Languti (143)	(143) lam-ol.	...		...	...	yongekay.	
Lantern	gñi he-ō-e.	...		...	...	(O. H. B.) bula- geeka.	
Lard	onhéang.	...		...	...
Large (144)	(144) kadñi	...		...	...
Language	(F. E. T.) la-krb.	...	hiti	(145) (Ham.) aye- laur.	...		
Laugh (145)	iti; ité	...	khiansé.	...	...
Law	...	...	...	...	...
Lay (146)	lòm	...	prata.	...	...
Lazy	pñ-jé.	...		...	...
Lead (147)	halakei-en. (147) hindul (L-of-a ship).	...	pūron eang shiá; eang khiá rāe.	...	...
Leaf	tjomba (the metal) deloe, tanjām	...		...	...	chic-kr-da.	
	otæ, da ugni	...		...	...
	læde méat (for cigarettes).		
Leak	akæ, aké (panlery)	(O. H. B.) ar- toobkæ.	
	pañg-en-hæ		
Lean	kong-ap-na-shæ.	...	ivi kopne.		

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184.—These magicians or priests pretend to be able to cure all diseases and pretend to fight the spirits on all occasions. They practise as jugglers and, I believe, a little in ventriloquism. They have, however, no power, as has lately been suggested.

150.—E. H. M. 'Maig.'
151.—E. H. M. 'Hang nesheh' (doubtful).
152.—Rosen. 'Sukák.'
153.—Schowra, deBff. 'shokáko.'

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NANCOWEY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. FLAHERTY.	CAS NICOBAR.	'LILAND BACH "SPORENGS."	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Malady	... ponkeie ...	fo-ap	...	{	o-egn-ehus.		
Malay (155)	... (155) paju shom malaju.		...		o-e-he.		
Male	... nkonje.	okehe	baju; pahé	(Ham). kagonia...	vedue	(O.H.B.) aboola.	
	... enkōnje (male) (156A).	...	nkonhje (<i>husband</i>)	...	...	(O.H.B.) abara. (<i>unmarried</i>).	
	... joang (<i>some one</i>)	...	rámé pahé (<i>every one</i>).	...	...	(O.H.B.) aboha-bil (<i>married</i>).	
	... kalein (<i>foreigner</i>)	...	kaiet	...	...
	... maial (<i>youth</i>)	...	sum (<i>people</i>).				
	... pomocashé (<i>old man</i>).						
Man (156) (156A)	... ilōō (<i>bachelor</i>).						
	... paju te ita (<i>Nancowry man</i>).						
	... pu (<i>Cas Nicobarian</i>).						
	... tatāt (<i>man from Schowre</i>).						
	... loang (<i>Coast-man from Great Nicobars</i>).						
	... shobang (<i>aborigines at Great Nicobars</i>).						
	... tjong hinkok (<i>man of war</i>).						
Man-catcher	... orohætse; huro-hetse.	pandol. bishe	...	...	gret.		
Many	... hoē; tjoha. katom (<i>how m—</i>) tamana (<i>how m—</i>)	...	...	...	tani (<i>how m.</i>)		

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NANGOWAY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLAINANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	ISLAND RACE 'SHORENGA'.	ATDAKAT WORDS.	REMARKS.
Mina (<i>Eulabes Andamanensis</i>).	(<i>Rosen</i> .) ganjaú.						
Mind	kahatōaré (<i>never m—</i>) watne njaŋga to (<i>never m—</i>)	nga-na-ha- ngá (<i>never m—</i>)	...	...	tjomga (<i>never m—</i>)		
Minor	kanjom il6	omiefg.					
Mirror	tingumáfleh	tamealeh.					
Miserly	...	...	kalet.				
Miss (<i>with a gin</i>) (159A.)	(<i>F. E. T.</i>); (159A.) ha-tai-ou.	...					
Miscue	...	...	holhæhang'n.				
Mix	ka-law-we	gña kashorne	...	...	...	gœ-bo-i-hing.	
Mob	...	...	luluh't.	...			
Moist	...	...	vi hanái-khui				
	...	...	(<i>moisten</i>).				
	...	...	vi-haming (<i>moisten</i>).				
	...	...	pahia.				
Money	rupéj (<i>rupees</i>)	ada (<i>Mexican dollar</i>).					
Monkey (160)	para (<i>Mexican dollar</i>).	pajun	kaling; kejin	...	tjoit.		
Monsoon	doeng. haé fol (<i>N. E. Monsoon</i>).	kajel fol (<i>N. E. M.</i>)					
	shohong (<i>S. W. Monsoon</i>).	kajel shinhoang- ga (<i>S. W. M.</i>)					
Month	kahæ (<i>i. e., moon</i>)	...	...	...	...	hov-up.	
Monthly	kahæ te kahæ	...	mandat (<i>new m—</i>)	...	(<i>Gal.</i>) tingæt.	...	
Moon (161)	(161) kahæ	...	renang (<i>full m—</i>).	...	...	...	o-goorda.
More	pa-i-te-ræ	...	héhane.				

Morning	al haki (sunrise)	ja-bœ	aki	...	...	...	...	...	(O. H. B.) ul-waka.
Mortal	kohin dosha (forenoon).	...	nœn-aki (this m—)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mosquito	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mother	mihoja	bishœsœg	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	tjia en kana	heen	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	(woman parent).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mother-in-law	konjan.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Move	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Mount	kohinjuan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mouse	kœm-œt	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mouth (162) (163)	olfang	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	ahœl	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Much	hurœhatœ
	kedu
	pahœ-e.
Mud
Murder (164 A.)

Muscle
Musket
Mussel (brœlœe)

Mustachie
Mute

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159 A.—Vide 111 A., vide Hit.
 160.—Katchall, de Rf., 'moranghe.'
 161.—Rosen, 'Ghœka.'
 162.—Gal, 'mœno'; Nov, 'manœng'; Rosen, 'manœng'; vide also the Teresa column and 163. I believe, though I have so many authorities against me, that 'manœng' means lip or lips and not mouth. F. E. T. mœnœm. Compare furthermore Lip in the Teresa column.
 163.—Schaer, Gal, 'manœng'; vide 162.
 164.—E. H. Mœn, 'Thœn-kœœs';
 164 A.—Wicks, 'Taffœ.'

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NANCOWRY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLAINT.	CAR NICOBAR.	ISLAND RACE 'SHORANGS.'	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Muzzle (<i>of a gun</i>)	olmó ahan.						
My (165) (<i>mine-myself</i>).	(165) tjué	tjun	kahihot (<i>my friend</i>). khin (<i>I, my, mine</i>). tsang kji.				
N.							
Nail (166) (<i>of finger</i>).	kishoa	kisho	kissot	(Gal.) ginsa	agib	tol-boat. mo-id-bo-do. (O. H. B.) bood-da.	
Nail (<i>of iron</i>)	hinsem.						
Naked	oltjal.						
Name	léang				mænde— d j æ-m æ-m æ (<i>what is the n.</i>)		
Nancowry	se-pi-pe.						
Nasty (166A)	hat lapoé	op-ak (166A)			æk-æ.		
Native	paju.						
Nature			la en taat (<i>natural</i>). tai (<i>nature</i>). ta-en-tôt (<i>naturally</i>). fuhôn				
Naval	fuhon			(Gal.) fun	kanv.		
Nautilus-shell	tana						
Nay	ha-a.						
Near (166B)	me-se-ho	se-tæ (166B)	hemæn hat-hâai (<i>near by</i>). nlông		ha-ev		(O. H. B.) lageea. ar-ka-or-ma.
Neck	un-lon-ge	gna (<i>Wicks</i>)		(Gal.) kilap	gnu-en.		
Necklace	ko-la-la. nient malau tanol ol kolala (<i>n-tie</i>).	paloo (<i>Wicks</i>)	molkaat	(Gal.) huhioat	shinlô-eit.		

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NANCOWAY DIALECT.	GREAT NICORAL.	TERESA BY M. PLAINET.	CAR NICORAL.	INTEND BACH 'SEORRENGA.'	AFDANAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Niece	haé	...	khuan-eonang.	...	...	el-la-ruth-kay.	
Nigh	me se-ho	fem p	eonang-nkénhje.	...	ke-ein	(O. H. B.) goo-rüb.	
	hatam (<i>night</i>).	tamhe	atam	...	...
	shupheng (<i>evening</i>).						
	ladiejé (<i>dusk</i>).						
	pjué (<i>7 p. m.</i>)						
	engshe heam auk						
	nók (<i>8 p. m.</i>)						
	heam auk nók ka						
	(<i>9 p. m.</i>)						
	heam auk nók						
	kejan (<i>10 p. m.</i>)						
	engshe joang hat-						
	am (<i>11 p. m.</i>)						
Night	joang hatam (<i>12 night</i>).						
	hahohaka kajan						
	(<i>1 a. m.</i>)						
	hahohakakajauka						
	(<i>3 a. m.</i>)						
	pju (<i>5 a. m.</i>)						
	tjangiol (<i>day-break</i>).						
Nightcap (168B)	karebuahé (168B)	sindol (<i>Wicks</i>).	...	(Gal.) kinteré...	...		
Nine	héanghata	...	...		nog-in.		
	fuán tafuel heang	...	...		
	noang tak.	...	...		
Nineteen	shom-héang-hata	...	...		
	héang hata tafuel	...	...		
	héang noang tak	...	...		
Ninety	fuán undjome	...	...		
	rutei.	...	...		
	fuán inein tanein	...	...		
	tafuel.	...	...		

Nipa	...	(<i>Rosen</i>) juáng- etuah.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nipple	...	tha (<i>of breast</i>) ... kanap koihindæl (<i>of a gun</i>).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
No	...	ha-a; hat	...	...	hat hæm (<i>not this</i>)	(<i>Gal.</i>) rava	...	...	...
Noise	...	wat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nonsense	...	...	...	...	mineole (<i>nonsense</i> - <i>cal man</i>).	...	...	...	...
Noon	...	kamhang	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
North (169)	...	(169) kapá	...	...	latör (<i>N.</i>)	...	...	ko-kam-kein.	...
	...	h a é f ū (<i>N. E.</i> <i>Monsoon</i>).	...	...	langtapa (<i>N. W.</i>)	...	...	...	...
Nose (170)	...	(170) gñoa	...	...	mhang	(<i>Gal.</i>) ehelme	...	monk	...
Nosegay	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nostril	...	...	...	...	libré.	...	...	...	...
Not	...	hat; watshe; watme.	...	...	hamón.	...	...	...	...
	...	...	...	...	hat; hathæn (<i>n-this</i>).	(<i>Gal.</i>) rava	...	unāng	...
	...	...	...	...	kit akah (<i>I do not</i> <i>know</i>).	...	...	...	...
Nothing	...	tjít akah (<i>I do n-</i> <i>know</i>).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	hat ót (<i>i. e., is not</i>)
	...	gnung (<i>i. e.,</i> <i>empty</i>).
Nourishment	...	auk nõk	hahást	onheang.	...
	hatnáak.

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168C.—Wicks, 'kanaka (?)'; it means, I believe, "pillow."

169.—*Rosen*, 'Kofod.'

170.—*Rosen*. 'Modd.'

I have given four spellings as I have got them from four different sides, just to show how differently people spell the words.

tjo-ro-ga-da ...
chor-ron-gar-da ...
tsho-run-ga-da ...
(*O.H.B.*) choo-roogudda.

(*O.H.B.*) lage-
ēa (*n-far*).
(*O.H.B.*) kitea-
mā (*n-muck*).

gairtack.

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NAKOYI DIALECT.	GREAT NIOBAN, (Wicks).	TRINIA, BY M. PLUMET.	CAS NIOBAN,	ISLAND DIALECT 'SIOBENG'.	AFRICAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Now	teja	tafem (Wicks)	...	...	...	(O. H. B.) go-ē- lin.	
Nudity	olijal	oolyala (Wicks).	nkénhje-manam. (wetnurse).	...	...
Nurse		
O.							
Oar	{ kagnót } (of a canót } <i>Europe- an boat</i>). kajal (paddle) ... (E. H. M.) yuyung kamméle ...	{ kagnót } (Wicks). canót ... pacoa (Wicks). su (Wicks)	kaheha; pa-i-ju ruhen. atmi kiha-i. vi-ta-tsie. háa. nlánhje; nlón... kamanlé. iana. ianet. vihuk.	...	...	(O. H. B.) wale- emá.	
Obey	(Gal.) mae	löp.		
Observe		
Obtain		
Ocean		
Occasion		
Occupy		
Octopus		
Off	goo-thoo-kay.	
Offend		
Offspring		
Often		
Oh	ko-tja.	
Oil		
Omit		
Old		
On (171)	star'larteemda. petada lápana?	

One	héang	...	...	...	sa (once ;) iang ; nan. kua, ki, káa (one another). (173) sabola,	...	...	...	...	ob-boo-bo- thool'da.
Onion (172) (173)	(172) powang ...	...	...	...	powang (Wicks) (172.) woje	...	...	...	...	...
Open (174)	(174) kawáhigne	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Opening	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oppose	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Or	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orange	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Order	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Organ	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oriel	tjélan.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ornament	itjé (ear o-)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orphan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Over (171)	knallen (171)
Overarm 175	tjanpák
Our	tjanjéa
Out
Outside
Oyster	sipót kawia

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171.—'Knallen' is a religious expression and is used for the top of every thing or for 'over' by the priests.

172.—Malay.

173.—Portuguese.
174.—E. H. M. 'phoigna.' F. E. T., 'o-foi.'
175.—Sakona, *deff*, 'wéi.'

(O. H. B.) pa-
keeka (call
out loudly).
the-tho'-er-
thie-key.
childa.

(Gal.) peku ...

woude.

wél; wöt ...

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE KATOWY DISTRICT.	GRASS NIGORAL.	TERESA BY M. PLAMANT.	CAN NIGORAL.	ISLAND NAME 'SPOKEN'.	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
P.							
Peckel	... ..	... ..	lamang.	...	...
Paddle (176)	... .. (176) kajal duinde (to p-) tinwa.	... .. ba-o-a	...	...	...	akosi.	
Padlock	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pail	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pain	... .. tjok	... ..	khiak	...	...	...	jo-do-le-churn'- kay.
Paint	... .. lanun (i. e., me- dicine).	danun.	...	...	...	...
Pair	... .. tafud (which also means 'six').	...	...	...	...	...
Palm (of hand)	... ..	...	ho kti.	...	...	...
Palm-wine	... .. tóak.	...	...	...	...	...
Pampel-moss	... ..	...	kinvâh.	...	...	...
Parleaf (Cha- vica) (177)	... .. aké	... .. panô-o	...	lakaije.	...	...
Pandanus (178) (178A).	... .. larôme (the eat- able sort). hikea (the wild sort).	... .. bee (178A)	...	hinfôn (the eat- able sort).	...	...
Pane	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pantalons (179)	...	popang (Wicks).	...	...	...	...
Papaja, (Carrica papaya).	... .. kanhâ	kanha (Wicks).	...	...	...	...
Paper	... .. lépré	lépré (Wicks).	nron-khui.	...	...	...
Parasol	... ..	...	...	...	...	...
Parent	... .. tjia.	...	...	...	...	...
Parrot (180)	... .. (180) katôk	kantang (Wicks)	karaka.	...	...	...
Partner	... ..	...	huleang.	...	...	...
Paste	... ..	...	harhêha (p-up).	...	...	...
Path (180A)	... .. gadji (180 A)	... .. kiyos (Wicks)	khiâ	...	...	...	(O.H.B.) tinga.
Pay	... .. ha-ju-a-ha	... ..	(de Eff.) hathangh- ah.	...	...	...

Peal	... ..	... ..	... ..	peā.	(Gal.) tavaate.		
Pearl	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..
Peel	... ..	... ..	... ..	hatenk.	... ..	...	tjula.
Pen	anét lébré	... ..	anét lébré (<i>Wicks</i>).	... ..	... ..	...	...
Penis	lam	... ..	lub (<i>Wicks</i>)	... ..	... ..	...	...
Penitence	... ..	... ..	anân.	... ..	... ..	...	...
People	pajû	... ..	pâû (<i>Wicks</i>)	sum.	... ..	...	...
Pepper (181)	(181) larâ	... ..	larâ (<i>Wicks</i>) (181)	kunmenta.	... ..	...	(O. H. B.) ar-
Perceive	haio (<i>Wicks</i>)	... ..	haio (<i>Wicks</i>)	... ..	... ..	...	loôkâ.
Perhaps	jong-hareh	... ..	... ..	bat sak'n.	... ..	...	...
Perish	kapa	... ..	kapæ tjî	bahabram.	... ..	...	...
Perspiration	hoâng	... ..	tanet kumat.	... ..	... ..	...	...
Petticoat	ok jok loé enkana.	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	noŋg	rogoo.
Physic	lânûn.	... ..	... ..	... ..	(189A.) (<i>Ham.</i>) hown.	alœv (<i>wild p.</i>).	...
Physician	manlóene.	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	...	...
Piety	... ..	... ..	... ..	kâag'hatôt.	... ..	...	...
Pig (182) (183A)	(182) nôt	... ..	bakoi	(de Buff') kavoahe	... ..	...	...
	shardal (<i>wild p.</i>)	... ..	tjong (<i>wild p.</i>)	... ..	... ..	...	...
	a.—haploap	... ..	a.—jué.	... ..	... ..	...	...
	b.—hom i-j-a-t-er	... ..	b.—kadœa tom-	... ..	... ..	...	...
	(old-fashion ed,	... ..	téin.	... ..	... ..	...	...
	made of iron,	... ..	... ..	... ..	... ..	...	...
	from Schowru).	c.—mon heang
	(with one barbe).	d.—shanein jeno-
	ma + (with two	barbes),
	barbes),
Pig-spear

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176. — *B. H. Man.* 'Pawo w'ha.'
177. — *Schowwa, deBess.* 'hijñ.'
178. — *Rosen.* 'Lardm.'
178A. — *Wicks.* 'Booma.'
179. — *Schowwa, deBess.* 'hensjöt.'

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NAKCOWBY DIALECT.	GREAT NIOOBAR.	TEENSA BY M. PLAINBY.	CAR NIOOBAR.	ISLAND BAOB 'SHOENESS'.	AFRIKAF WORDS.	REMARKS.
Pour	tamlé	...	fuhotet; kumonk- let. kuvé.	...	...
Prawn	shoang	...	...	...	bo-it.		
Precious	...	dah	kuchi ki.	...	...	arbodida.	
Pregnant	komhosh kanjom	...	hehumé hehokra (make pr.)	...	kæthokaun		
Prepare	...	...	hâ.	(Gal.) tahæi (pr- at).	jo-i-tæ-tj é (a pr-)	(O. H. B.) go-é- lin.	
Present	taniatshe (gift)	...	nëu-maka (pr- at)	...	...
Press	...	...	nlen.	...	...
Pretend	...	...	metâm.	...	o-o.		
Pretty (188)	(188) lapoté	...	lopat-makmet	...	...
Price	...	...	hahehasang.	...	...
Priest	manlône	...	hathahang n.	...	...
Prow	kar ū-h e (of a canoe).	...	minlūēñ.	...	...
Puff	...	...	nfaa (blow).	...	...	arb-dōé-k e-r e- kay.	
Pull	duinde (p-a pad- dle).	duéd	taak	...	gno-en (in a canoe).		
Pulse	koang (p-an our).	...	hehæm; khiuk vha.	...	...	(O. H. B.) dootka (p- with fists).	
Punch	...	...	...	...	...
Punish	...	...	hilæ.	...	...
Pupil	...	...	khuan-kamūn.	...	...
Pure	...	...	tschu.	...	...
Pursue	...	...	hāhō.	...	...	thég-ge-ka (p- down).	
Put	...	...	hōta	...	...	(O. H. B.) itaree (p-out a light).	
	...	...	té	...	...

Q.	Quantity	...	...	...	karhé.	...	...	...	arb-to' go kay.
	Quarrel	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Queenconque	tji-nal-re te kadu	...	wók.	loto; lo-ét	...	(<i>de Eff.</i>) kajel	...	oo'-roo (<i>be g.</i>). arkundo'-do-kay (<i>quietly</i>). millo-kay(<i>bog.</i>).
	Quick	loá	...	...	fo (<i>to quiet</i>)	...	...	...	...
	Quiet	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Quill	anèt lébré; nai ka lang.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
R.	Rabbit	...	...	...	kum't.	...	...	...	uméda. umé-la-par kay (<i>it rains</i>). jungda. (<i>O.H.B.</i>) yome.
	Rage	...	...	...	khiank-fó-naát.	...	...	...	...
	Rail	...	...	...	hém, nlen.	...	...	...	...
	Rain	amí ani ti tong (<i>it rains</i>). mifaie (<i>a great rain</i>).	...	...	amé ju tong amé (<i>it rains</i>). haming	...	(<i>de Eff.</i>) kumra... ... ...	...	...
	Rainbow	kamindo kalco.	...	...	hat-tulan-atse.	...	(<i>Gal.</i>) gunheel.	...	...
	Rascal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Rasp	...	...	...	kum't.	...	...	...	...
	Rat	(<i>Rosen</i>) komæt...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Rattan (189)	(189) nát.	mahás; uheháa...	(190).
	Raw (190)	(<i>E.H.M.</i>) hooyow	theún.
	Ray	oshóa.
	Reach

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188.—E. H. Man. 'Yahnai shehka; the natives do not recognize this word. 190.—Little Andaman, deRff., 'jiga.'

189.—Rosen. 'Potang;' E. H. Man, 'pantang.'

190.—*Little Andaman, de Rff., 'jiga.'*

Right	loto hiśala. l'uhəshet. stihāst	(Gal.) kinloht, kinlong.	wolootartaśkay (ring a bell).
Ring
Ripe
Rise
River
Road (192A)
Roast
Rock
Roll
Roof
Room
Root
Rope
Rot
Rough
Round
Row
Rub off

The vowels are sounded as in German or Hindustani; *j* as *y* in 'yard'; *et* and *ot* are sounded like 'eye'; *as* as in 'Auge' (German); *o* as *ai* in 'fair'; *o* as in 'Oai' (German); *o* soft as *ch* in 'loch'.

191.—*Little Andaman, de Riff, 'miejoua' (go to the rear).*

192.—*Spanish 'arroz.'*

192A.—*F. E. T. 'Kai-ee.'*

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NANCOWEY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAL.	TERESA BY M. PLAINET.	CAS NICOBAL.	ISLAND RACE 'SEOBENGA'.	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Rudder	lāraḷa	...	...	...	...	(O. H. B.) argēn.	
Run	tjēng-ga	...	rhagne	...	...	kātsā-kay (r. away.)	
Rust	di-eng-ga	...	rhigne	...	...	(O. H. B.) arwi-teeka.	
	het-a-i	...	...	...	...	kithékay.	
S.							
Sack	sājōw.	...	tahnihstān.	...	...	boolupkay.	
Sacrifice	...	...	...	...	...	otho joo mokay.	
Sed	tjitt	...	ruhēn	...	...	ākangei (go about in a canoe).	
Sail	hūntāhe	...	...	...	...	...
Salām (193)	...	...	hahihalema.	...	...	tar'ada.	
Salt	shāl. deāgh kammela. (e. water).	...	...	...	...	...
Sand	piēt	...	...	...	...	...
Sardine (or a little fish like it).	tjafoin.	...	...	...	...	...
Satisfied (194)	léat	...	...	...	...	(194) tickboot-ray.	
	pehaé	...	...	...	...	(O. H. B.) tir-boot ká.	
Saw (a e-)	ganétal	...	pehang-khiā.	...	...	(e—with eat-ing).	

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NARCOWAY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLAINANT.	CAS NICOBAR.	INLAND SACS 'SIOBENGES'.	ARADKAY WORDS.	REMARKS.
Seahorse (<i>hippo-campus</i>).	moconggra.	...	...	...	...	(O.H.B.) atākā.	
Search	...	...	haliet	...	...	(O.H.B.) dāmā	
Seat	...	...	...	...	...	(the s—)	
Seaweed	...	...	kamāpehehāhe.	...	...
Secretly	...	...	huro-en hurohé.	...	...
See	...	...	hahēa.	...	...
Seed	...	...	hārea.	...	...
Seek	op-ep.	...	hukét hukiét.	...	...
Seem	...	...	hoatse.	...	...
Seldom	...	...	kācet.	...	...
Self	...	...	tsie hæn.	...	...
Sell (199)	...	...	khuan-kamūn.	...	...
Servant	(199) halan.	...	...	...	...	(O.H.B.) poo-	
Set fire to	...	...	...	...	...	cutkā.	
Seven	...	...	...	...	...
Seventeen	ishāt lué tafuél héang joang. shaum ishāt. ishāt tafuél héang noang.	...	...	...	...
Seventy	lué unōjomé ruktei. lué inein ruktei (of nuts). lué inein tanein tafuél.	...	...	...	...
Several	...	...	hehor khui.	...	...	jhart'-kay.	
Sew	...	...	...	...	...	(O.H.B.) jātka.	
Shade	...	...	rūhe (shadow)	...	...	the'-arda.	
Shake	...	...	nghoik.	...	...

Shark (200)	...	main.	...	...	...	irāt	...	...	...	...	...	orkojieth'kay.
Sharpen	...	kōha	...	...	...	katsi-khai	...	...	...	...	...	oth-jair-kay.
Shave	...	ānās	...	...	...	anē.	...	...	...	...	...	...
She	...	...	...	...	...	nhəng, nən.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sheep	...	kapəəs.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sheet	...	lanōp ithéak (bed sh—)	...	...	...	ehong; enali	...	...	...	...	...	(O.H.B.) odee.
Shell (201)	...	hohé.	...	...	...	kalāā.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shellfish	...	elella(king-conque)	...	...	...	enrhui.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shin	...	shinalere(rosebud)	...	...	...	hənaŋ.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shine	...	hanang	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	tjong	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	tjong hēlein	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	(steamer).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ship	...	tjong hinkōk (man of war).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Shirt	...	kanhoin; kanjūt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shivering	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shoe	...	shapāta
	...	djanāpla.
	...	haréle
Shoot

Shorten
Short	...	me-a-ho
Shot (202)	...	(202) ahéol hindsal.

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 199.—Fontana, 'Hemig',
 200.—Esen. 'Ma-in',
 201.—Esen. 'Sia' alpooh, 'Perhaps Mr. Eesen saw nothing but rose-buds.
 202.—E. H. Man, 'kwichung kutchung?' P. E. T., 'mong-heart'.

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NANCOWET DIALECT.	GRAND NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLAISANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	ISLAND RACE 'SHORANGS.'	AFRIKAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Shoulder (203) ...	ko-i-ungo.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shoulder-blade ...	tjong-pak.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Show ...	itjal. (<i>B. H. M.</i>) hy- chung (<i>imperative</i>).	...	hahēha ...	...	...	...	tik-be-de-kay.
Shower ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shrimp ...	shoang.	...	lampolei.	...	...	...	...
Shut ...	ka-dop-ha-té ...	...	ápn ; áps. harēha nīn.	...	...	...	...
Sick (204) ...	too ...	...	hahn'há (<i>sick fare</i>)	...	...	...	erbungikay. (<i>O.H.B.</i>) ubā- tri (<i>s-nce</i>).
Side ...	pomkeia ...	...	sakit-pahōhi ...	...	...	...	...
...	jafang ol hō-e (<i>this s-</i>)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sigh ...	jafang ol (<i>that s-</i>)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Silence ...	ejum ...	...	elum.	...	...	...	milan-ga-ké.
Silver ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Since ...	...	...	para.	...	...	...	...
Sing ...	ikōshe ...	...	hang. tikāat, takāat ...	(<i>Gal.</i>) thekakh raave.	...	...	rar'me-to-yo- kay. (<i>O.H.B.</i>) tooō- okā. adoati.
Sister ...	tjau enkana (<i>elder s-</i>).	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	tau enkana (<i>younger s-</i>).	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sit (205) (206) ...	pūjé (<i>s-down</i>)...	...	...	...	...	...	arkathoekay.
Six ...	tafuel-6 lué tafuel (3 <i>pairs</i>).	...	kusset nkenēt.	...	gnide (<i>s-down</i>)	...	...
Sixteen ...	shaum tafuel. nfoan tafuel (8 <i>pairs</i>).	...	...	...	lōv-ve.	...	...

Sixty	...	lúé undjomé.	...	...	...	hūk	...	...	...	mo'-ro-da.
Skin	...	lúé inéin (<i>of nuts.</i>)	...	...	...	tafahole.	...	...	...	...
Sky	...	ōka	...	...	...	ghēn nellōpāh ka	...	...	...	...
Slander	...	galahale.	...	...	...	vipāhé.	...	...	...	...
Slaughter	...	(<i>E.H.M.</i>) kaiyon-	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sleep (207)	...	nashee-paiyoo.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sleeve	...	kalok.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sling	...	ithéak	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Slipper	...	koāla.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small	...	shapāta	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Smell (208)	...	tompenshé	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Smile	...	ité.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Smith	...	dom	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Smoke	...	adjīb (<i>the sm—</i>)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	top umhoim (<i>sm—</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	of tobacco).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Snatch away	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	peit (<i>poisonous</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	<i>sn—</i>)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Snake	...	tulan (<i>Python</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	<i>Schneider</i>).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	tjumléo (<i>seq-</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	...	<i>snake</i>).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sneeze	...	e-a-e
Snore	...	he gno-ak.
Soap	...	shavon.
Softly
Sole of foot	...	ol lá.
Some
Somebody	...	joang

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 203.—*Schoora, deEff, 'keipde.'*
 204.—*Fontana, 'olon; E. H. Man, 'tehiak' (means 'pain').*
 205.—*Schoora, deEff, 'go shé' ('sit down.')*
 206.—*Little Nicobar, Galatee, 'kantai.'*
 207.—*Little Andaman, deEff, 'mo-take.'*
 208.—*E. H. Man, 'Eekait.'*

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NANCOWRY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	THESSA BY M. PRAISANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	INLAND LACE 'SHOREWEGS.'	ADAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Some one	... seju.	...	naet-haet-umang.	...	...	...
Some time	... { <i>E. H.</i> { kaiyai	...	hiang hehe.	...	kó-et.	...	
Sometimes	... { <i>M.</i> } hanhang.	...	...	...	...	...
Son	... kónje	...	khoin	...	...	...
Son-in-law	... (<i>Gal.</i>) konthje...	...	nkónhje khuan.	...	...	...
Song	... ikōshe	...	kintheu khiā.	...	...	...
Soon	... mākā	...	mākā.	...	...	...
Source	... (<i>Hanseel.</i>) limpt.	...	...	...	...	...
Sore	... ..	...	...	...	...	...
Sorrowful	... ..	...	kistot.	...	...	(<i>O. H. B.</i>) jāg.	
Sorry	... ..	...	...	(<i>Gal.</i>) harihulong.	...	...
Sort	... ..	...	mulōhe.	...	...	...
Soul	... ..	...	tsie.	...	...	...
Sound	... ..	...	mehaahet.	...	...	...
Soup	... ..	...	haeng.	...	...	...
Soup-ladle	... ..	...	...	...	...	...
Sour	... ..	...	hat tsiang (<i>not</i>	...	...	ar-rar-pij-da.	
South, (209)	... (<i>209</i>) la-ligna.	...	<i>sweet</i>).	...	...	ig-mor-kar-da.	
Sow	... itje	...	ikih lost.	...	...	...
Spade	... oljola	...	...	...	...	...
Speak	... a-d (<i>vide</i> Pig-spear).	a. b. d. (<i>vide</i> Pig-spear).	ghen.	(<i>Gal.</i>) khova	d. (<i>vide</i> Pig-spear).	(<i>O. H. B.</i>) ool.	
Spear, (<i>vide</i> Pig-spear).	... e. mia (<i>a little Neptune's-fork for fish.</i>)	...	...	...	e. kakang.	...	
	... f. hokpak (<i>a wooden many-pointed spear-for little fish</i>)	...	...	...	...	...

Spew	ho-ow.	...	...	...	(<i>de Eff.</i>) kekonje	...	...	arjeddejog'-da.
Spider	kaleboie.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spine	henka.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spinster	holé-ang	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spirit	ivi or iwi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spit	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Splendid	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spit	(<i>F. E. T.</i>) oong tong.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spoil	tajal.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spoon	shanéal (<i>big</i>) kanwi deágh (<i>little</i>).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Staircase	halak	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stammer	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stand	(<i>Fontana</i>) achio-engá.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Star (209 A)	shókma ledja	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Starry heaven	mifaie.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stay.	katev	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Steamer	tjong heleín.
Steal	(<i>F. E. T.</i>) koloch
Stepmother
Stick	iñei (<i>ear-sticks</i>)
Stink	pa-ogní.

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208.—*Rosen*. 'Leng-söhng'.
209.—*Rosen*. 'Sjok-mat-tja'.
209A.—*Rosen*. 'Sjok-mat-tja'.

209 A.—Rosen. 'Sjok-malkja.'

209.—*Rosen.*—'Lang-söhng.'

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NAMCOWEY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLAINANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	ISLAND EACH 'SHOEMEN'.	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Stir	... ... kanhole.	...	kutuhæ.	(Gal.) aithji ... kar h d-v i ang (thick-bellied)	...	(O.H.B.) jodo. (O.H.B.) tir- bootka (full st-).	
Stockings	djanapla.	...	viam	...	...	...
Stomach	wéang	...	khiak-viang.	...	...	...
Stomach-ache	vide Stomach and Ache.	...	māngæ	...	...	...
Stone	māngæ	...	...	...	...	...
Stool, 210	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stoop	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stop	katæv	...	...	...	...	...
Storm	...	...	sakali	...	...	...
Stout	...	...	hoatæ.	...	...	...
Str aight	tæp-ha-dé tji um.	...	...	...	...	...
Stranger	kalein. kaling.	...	...	...	...	...
Stray	...	...	hth hæg'nkæt.	...	...	...
Stream	...	...	...	...	...	...
Strew	...	...	hægn; hægn.	...	...	...
Striped cloth	(Font.) ca m b a- lanagn. fanûé.	...	...	...	...	...
String	...	...	nfiâ. sakalu; kalet ...	...	...	...
Stroke	haheng sakalu	
Strong	koang	...	(str-wind). karhû-khugtôt (str-heart, i. e., love.)	

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112.—*Rosen.* 'Hæhn.'

213.—*Rosen*. 'Enléhnja.'

210.—*Little Andaman, de Rff., 'minjoa.'*

211.—*Rosen*. 'Maógh.'

311.—*Bosen*. 'Maógh.'

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NANCOWRY DIALECT.	GRANT NICOBAR.	THESSA BY M. PLAINLY.	CAR NICOBAR.	ISLAND RACE 'SHORANGS.'	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Swim	ketjaldé	...	...	...	...	pitkay. potkay. rogo.	
Swine (214)	nōt	...	...	(214) (Ham.) hown	...	...
Sword-blade	shurufā (wild sw-). kidi	...	...	...	kakoat koi.	...	
T.							
Table (215)	(215) mās-sje.	...	...	...	...	ekay.	
Tail	dīt ten	...	hehetšen.	...	...	e-jan-kay. titānkay. ob-lar-po-da.	
Take	okā	...	hæle	...	...	...
Talk	oræ.	...	...	...	...	...
Talk	oijōle	...	...	...	...	...
Tall	(E. H. { M.}) { tchong- kose. tching.	...	...	...	...	...
Tattoo	kandūla.	...	...	...	...	kapi. atioka (means also 'to write').	
Tea (216)	(216) tja	...	tachah. kistot. kon-ta-liap. tāakne (t- asunder)	...	...	par-rar-thar-kay.	
Teach	...	...	...	...	...	ig-noo'-loo-mud- kay.	
Tear	...	...	...	...	...	e-t h o o g'-d a mite-tog-day. (O. H. B.) pur- chēkā.	
Teaspoon	kanwi deāgh.	...	...	...	...	...
Tease	
Teeth (217)	(217) kanap	
Tell	oijōle	...	hihaie, hahamang	
Temperance	hahn Thā.	

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214.—*Galathea, Car Nicobar, 'kahuhoke.'*

215.—*Malay*; *Fontana* has 'cheráchà,

216.—*Hindustani*.

217.—*Rosen. 'Kandp.'*

218. *Reed. Barbe.* 'Tam,' the natives must have been misunderstanding him.

219.—Norara. 'Matoreo,' E. H. Man gives the same! The natives must have been wise!

220.—E. H. Mearns, 'Oomtolahm'; it means 'all'.

1. **THE** **REPORT** **OF** **THE** **COMMISSIONER** **OF** **THE** **LAND** **OFFICE** **FOR** **THE** **YEAR** **1900**

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NAKOWY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PRAHART.	CAR NICOBAR.	ISLAND EACH 'SPEAKERS.'	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
This	héang inein tanein tafúel (<i>of nuts</i>). ninné ... néé ...	... ... ...	ané; hiē; nēn. nuhəng; taie nēn (<i>as this</i>). nōle.	...	...
Thorn	... ..	...	...	...	...
Thou	mə-e ...	...	(<i>vide Thee</i>). samōng.	...	...
Thousand	a umdjómé ruktel (<i>of nuts</i>). a inein tanein ta- fúel umdjómé.	... ... ...	s(<i>t</i>) amináat (<i>thou- sand feet</i>).	...	...
Thread	ehelō-e ...	...	...	...	...	mor-ler-da.	
Three	etjelō-e.	...	loah.	...	...
Throat	lūé ...	...	...	...	...
Throw (221)	kōl āle.	...	...	...	...
Thumb	... ..	...	minrda.	...	...	(221) (O.H.B.) dhspeeka (<i>throw away</i>).	
Thunder	mundúe ... kom-doo-gña; (<i>F. E. T.</i>) lameean.	... ...	...	...	...	ella-airkay (<i>low t.</i>), ella-boō'kay (<i>high t.</i>), (O.H.B.) juru- chainkdā (<i>high t.</i>), (O.H.B.) ulair- kā (<i>low t.</i>), (O.H.B.) ronē- kā.	
Tide (221A)	tomda ... (<i>F. E. T.</i>) nāh (<i>low t.</i>), (<i>F. E. T.</i>) tong- drah (<i>high t.</i>) (221A).	... ...	...	...	...
Tie	(<i>F. E. T.</i>) al-tōkl	...	ilēnbe	...	...
Time	lué shoa, (3 times)	...	nlēn. a-khongat; khunh- je (2 times).	(O.H.B.) go-ē- lin (<i>the pre- sent t.</i>).	

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223.—Schowra, de Rff., 'pa!

223. — *Snowden, verif.*;
224. — *Rosen. 'Hagi.'*

221.—*Little Andaman, de Rff., 'jalæ.'*

221 A.—Mr. Tuson's one word is evident

221 A.—Mr. Tuson's one word is evidently the same as mine.
222.—Little Andaman, de.Rff., 'benimango.'

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NARCOMAY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAL.	TERESA BY M. PLAINAT.	CAL NICOBAL.	LEIYAD PAGE 'SHOREWEG.'	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Torch	pal.						
Tortoise	ok-tæ-e-ka		...	...	athéak	(O.H.B.) tsao.	
Tortoise-shell (225) (226).	(225) ek káp. op- káp.	i-tæ-heng watow	...	...	mæ-ank	(226).	
Total	(E. H. M.) shin						
Touch	nama.						
Towards	...	...	hukét-hukjét.				
Town	...	...	tên; tîn.				
Transgress	mattai	...	khiuk.				
Travel	...	...	tan-hiâai.				
	...	...	...	...	...	(O.H.B.) naukâ.	
	(227) o-gni'-ha...	...	fhuhæn (<i>shoot of tree</i>).	...	...	arrineda.	
Tree (227)	kametjol (<i>a tr- with white leaves</i>).	...	khiâ	...	...	täng.	
	jong-o-jav (<i>cocoa- nut tr.</i>).	...		...	...	darrin e leek- now-lar'-kay go up a tr-).	
	komtjing (<i>ebony</i>).	...		...	...
Trepang (<i>Holothu- ria</i>).	(Rosen) toit.	...		...
Triangle	...	...	luehman.				
Trigger	panöt hindæl.	...					
Trowsers (228)	kanha.	...					
Trough	holshöal.	...					
Truly	...	...	rhâstk, rhâalke.	...	...	ar-thad'-e-kay.	
Truth	...	...	...	...	...
Tumbler	la hetwâ	...	nphâ-kimmale.	...	...
Turban	watara.	...	kerebuse.	...	...
	leinshi	...	tandan khuf.	...	...
Tureen	petiŋg.	...	...	...	...	i-ji-gair-bul- kay.	
Turn	...	...	...	...	...

Turpentine (229) Turtle	(229) tsel. káp (sea t—) ... oktæeka (land t—)	...	...	káp	...	...	...	...	...	jædi. yar-the-da. (O.H.B.) ya- des. towda (small). garida.
Turtle-dove	tjumōa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Twelve	shaum-ā tafuél-tafuél.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Twenty	héang inein (of nuts)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Twist	héang umdjomé.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Two	lei-gna. ā héang tafuél.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	ā.
U.										
Ugly (230)	(230) (Nov.) joch	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Umbrella	hando-goi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Umpire	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Uncertain	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Uncle (231)	hoŋjié	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Under	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Underarm	tji koál.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Understand	léap	
Undermost	
Uneven	tjong det.	
Unhappy	(E.H.M.) kit-ya- natan.	
Unite	

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225.—Note the different pronunciation from 'bite,' where the last syllable

is short.

226.—Little Andaman, deRff., 'naddianga.'

227.—Hansel, 'Uniga.'

228.—Schoora, deRff., 'hemyet.'

229.—From the Hindustani.

230.—E. H. Man. 'Omeh had shetka.'

231.—Schoora, deRff., 'jool-mohng.'

Virtue	...	...	...	...	...	hoatse.
Vomit	...	...	...	...	...	sahuat.
Voyage (233)	...	...	...	...	...	...

Wages	kapaŋ.
Waistcoat
Wait
Wake
Walk (233A)
Want
War
War-hat
Warm
Warmth
Warrior
Wash

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2834.—Both are evidently the same word (1778 and 1874).

238. —*H. H. Man has the same with transposition, viz; 'yotakayha.'*

282.—*Rosen.*—'Matta-i.'

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Wasp	kaléhane.	...	nehang-nang	(Gal.) enhangnang.	dñi (<i>fresh w.</i>)	(234) inarda.	
Watch	heang jang nang	...	dheakh	māk	le-it (<i>salt w.</i>)	inada.	
Water (234)	deagh	...	...	...	...	(O. H. B.) ena.	
	fau dlagh (<i>sweet w.</i>)	...	...	...	...
	deagh kammela	...	...	...	...
	(<i>salt w.</i>)	...	...	...	...
Water-bottle	jangmat.	...	reakanān.	...	...
Waterholdy	...	...	...	...	...
Water-jug	tajak.	...	...	...	...
Water-shells	hishóje.	...	...	...	...
(<i>polished cocoa-</i>	...	...	...	...	...
<i>nuts</i> shells.)	...	...	...	...	...
Water-sticks (<i>to</i>	ido deagh	...	...	(Gal.) shankal.	...		
<i>carry the water</i>	...	...	...	...	...
<i>shells.</i>)	...	...	...	...	...
Wave	jók	...	habek	...	...	par'-thar-rar-da.	
Wax	manjak	...	maniak	...	...	ar'-ja-pee'-da.	
Way	gadji.	...	...	...	...
We	tjūš	...	háai; hufet.	...	...
	(<i>E. H. M.</i>) had-	...	khinh't.	...	...
Weak	koang.	...	...	...	...	arb-mar'-li-da.	
Weapon	(<i>vide</i> Gun, Bow, Spear).	...	kirhi.	...	...
Weed	...	...	nehaude.	...	...
	...	...	kamápe-boháabe	...	...
	...	...	(<i>sea w.</i>)	...	...
	...	...	bahusae	(Ham.) poing.	...		
Weep	tjim	...	...	...	...
Weigh	(<i>E. H. M.</i>) kunlah.	...	...	...	...
Well	kajtoat (<i>a w.</i>)	...	lopah (<i>good</i>).	...	...
West (235)	(235) shohōng	...	lakapah.	...	...
	...	...	kapah.	...	...
Wetnurse	...	...	nténbje-manam.	...	...
Whale	...	...	karah.	...	...

ENGLISH WORDS.	THE NAKOOWEY DIALECT.	GREAT NICOBAR.	TERESA BY M. PLAINLY.	CAR NICOBAR.	INLAND RACE 'SHOREWEGS.'	ANDAMAN WORDS.	REMARKS.
Wicked	hat-tsiang.	...	...	...
Wife	nkénhje; nkanhje.	...	...	...
Wind	haheng.	...	...	...
	vi-khiuk-haheng (to air).	...	...	...
Wine	haheng sakalu (strong w-).	...	...	...
Wine-glass	taram.	...	...	...
Wing	nfaré	...	...	...	é-gar-char-tar-da.
Winter	
Wipe	fāā, fāā-ift.	...	...	...
Wish	hehomang.	...	...	...
Woman (236 A) (236 B).	hehōt.	...	...	...
	angana	...	...	...	appaila. (O. H. B.) aba- ra (unmarri- ed).
Wonder	
Wood	
Word	
Work (237)	(O. H. B.) ab- chabil (mar- ried.)
World	
Worm	ar'rmalathoó- rooda.
Worship	

Wound	...	wā-an; wah	...	...	...	...	...	(O. H. B.) jag.
Wrath	...	...	...	...	...	menam.	...	...
Wreath (<i>of bast</i>)	...	...	...	...	...	datjājelah.	...	...
Wretched	...	...	...	...	...	fhót.	...	...
Wrestle	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wrist	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Write (238)	...	lagá koál. (238) anèt te lebré	...	...	...	hatel	...	arth-lai'-kay. (O. H. B.) stic- ka (means ori- ginally 'to tattoo').
Y.								
Yams (239) (240)	...	(239) kobong	...	...	...	...	...	(240.)
Yawn	...	tig-nāp hnāp.	...	...	...	kuping tahula. fiāb.	...	...
Year (241)	...	(241) som-en-jū	...	...	...	sāht. saminiūs, sāht.	...	...
Yellow (242)	...	(242) grño; grñe.	...	...	...	hāh; hāaht	...	orno?
Yes	...	shia; jo	...	...	...	abhi.	...	...
Yesterday	...	manjūé.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yet	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yolk	...	laharòme.	...	...	...	...	...	...
You	...	mæ-é	má, mēn; meut... mæ; mæn; næg.	...	ungola. angola.
Young	...	towéledo ilu (<i>unmarried</i>).
Your (243)	...	(243) te-mæh

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- 236 A.—*Galathea*. 'Hikanna.'
 236 B.—*Shokong*, *de Eff*. 'Ojā bashōs' (boy) was omitted under *Boy*.
 237.—*E. H. Man*. 'wimmar shidleh', doubtful.
 238.—*Fontana*. 'Athebet'; *E. H. Man*, has only the two first syllables, viz., 'at ai.'
 239.—*Rosen*. 'Kuping'.
 240.—*Little Andaman*, *de Eff*. 'melolani'. I showed the *Little Andaman* pri-
 soner some sweet potatoes and he at once and distinctly called it
 'Nicobar tamati'. I expect they have visited *Car Nicobar* from
Little Andaman.
 241.—*Their year is a monsoon and they have two to our year*.
 242.—*Nocara*. 'Laaom', so also *E. H. Man*.
 243.—*E. H. Man*. 'Tehiangchier'.

NUMERALS.

The Nicobarese have a system of counting different from ours. They count by twenties and four hundreds. Up to twenty they count by pairs, *e. g.*, 4 pairs *plus* 1 = 9; but also as we do up to ten, and then ten one, ten two and so on up to twenty. In counting by pairs they add a word at the uneven numbers between the word 'héang' (*i. e.* 'one') and the word that gives the thing they are talking of. Below I have given some instances, and the word in Italics is the word I am talking of, and which is different for different things.

Héang tafuel héang *ha* gni (one pair one *piece* house = 3 houses).

A tafuel héang *noang* gnoat (5 cocoanuts).

Lué tafuel héang *joang* paju (7 men).

Puan tafuel héang *tak* para (9 Spanish dollars).

Tanein tafuel héang *danôé* dué (11 canoes).

Of nuts they use the word 'inein' for 'twenty,' 'umdjomé' 'for four hundred.' Of other things they use 'umdjomé' for 'twenty' and put 'héang inein umdjomé' to mean 'four hundred' (1 by 20 by 20). 'Tafuel' means one pair but also six. The numerals are as below :—

ENGLISH NUMERALS.	NANCONWY DIALECT.	TERESSA BY M. P. LAISANT.	CAR NICOBAR.	INLAND RACE 'SHOMERS.'	REMARKS.
One ...	héang ...	... <i>la imiang (First)</i>	...	hing.	
Two ...	<i>a</i> héang tafuel.	... <i>l = iang.</i> oh, aeh ...	...	a.	
Three ...	lué héang tafuel héang.	... loah ...	...	luge.	
Four ...	fuau <i>a-tafuel.</i>	... foue, fen	...	fu et.	
Five ...	tanein <i>a tafuel héang</i>	... tani ...	... (<i>Gal.</i>) ta-nein	tein.	

T I M E .

The Nancowry people reckon by years (*som-en-jū*), each year consisting of one monsoon, so that two of their years make one of ours. The year is divided into moons (*kahæ*) subdivided by quarters of the moon. They very carefully follow the changes of the moon, mainly because they are great fishermen and are often out the greater part of the night fishing by torchlight, taking advantage of the low tides. They also watch the monsoons very keenly, as during the long rainy-season (*sho-hong*) all business stops. In the dry-season the trading vessels arrive, and at this time of the year the Nicobarese cross in their light canoes from one island to another. Beyond the present and nearest future time they take no heed. They do not know their age and can only refer to some event, such as 'Dr. Rosen's time,' to indicate any period of years ago. With regard to the divisions of the day they are very exact, but these divisions vary slightly, nevertheless, as they have neither clock nor sundial. I have not fixed the corresponding time after European reckoning, because I am not quite certain on the point, as the only clock which was in the Settlement is here no longer.

DAY (HENG OR HÆNG.)	NIGHT (HATAM.)
al hakl (<i>sunrise</i>).	shup heng (<i>sunset</i>).
kohin doáha (<i>forenoon</i>).	ladfejë (<i>dusk</i>).
kohin doáha (<i>later</i>).	pujue (7 p. m. ?)
ehala kam (<i>later</i>).	engshe heam auk nõk (8 p. m. ?)
kāmheng (<i>noon</i>).	heam auk nõk kã (9 p. m. ?)
shadie hehéng (<i>afternoon</i>).	heam auk nõk kéjau (10 p. m. ?)
tjin foatje tjong (<i>later</i>).	engshe jóëng hatam (11 p. m. ?)
tjin foatje kã (<i>later</i>).	jóang hatam (<i>midnight</i>).
heng imat mito-e (<i>later</i>).	hahohaka kájau ka (3 a. m. ?)
heng imat kã (<i>later</i>).	puju (5 a. m. ?)
engshe shup heng (<i>just before sunset</i>).	tjangiol (<i>before sun appears</i>).

'Yesterday' is *manjue*, 'today' *linheng*, 'tomorrow' *haki*, 'the day after tomorrow' *sejulang*, while *seju* means 'later,' 'afterwards.' *Heng* means 'sun' and 'day;' they count by suns, hence the expression. The great divisions of human life are *kanjom*, 'child;' *ilú*, 'bachelor' (i. e., marriageable); *pajú*, 'the man who has a son;' *pomoeschæ*, 'old man;' *omiáh*, 'chief,' is also used of old men to designate them as such; 'bagro koi,' with a little raillery in it, points to the grey hair of the old man.

A full-grown Nancowry man stands between 5 feet 6 inches to 5 feet 9 inches, the Andamanese between 4 feet 9 inches and 5 feet 1 inch.

N. B.—Any corrections, additions or notes that bear on the islands or their population will be thankfully received and will in any future edition be duly acknowledged.

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